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Space Administration



Advancing Space Radiation Biology with Big Data, Open Science, Standards, and ML

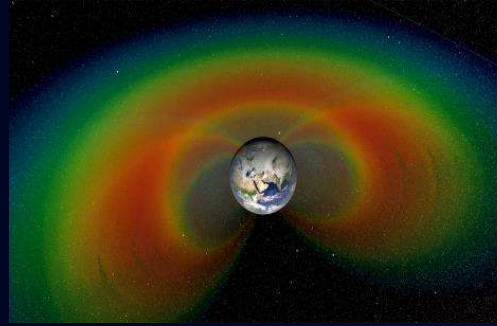
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Biologically Relevant Environmental Factors Encountered in Spaceflight

Microgravity/Reduced Gravity



Ionizing Radiation

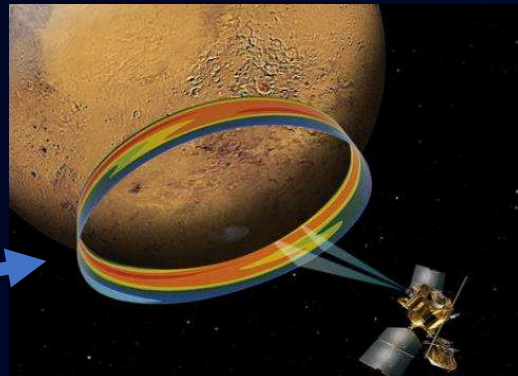


Credits: NASA/Goddard Space Flight Center/Scientific Visualization Studio

Altered Day/Night Cycles:
Circadian Rhythm Changes



Altered Temperature and
Atmosphere



Isolation



- Elevated CO₂
- Reduced atmospheric pressure and elevated volumetric fraction of oxygen

COMBINATION OF MULTIPLE STRESSORS

Thriving in Deep Space (TIDES)

Biological effects of multiple **deep-space stressors**

1. Radiation
2. Gravity
3. Temperature & Atmosphere
4. Day & Night Light Cycles
5. Isolation
6. Regolith/dust

Cannot accurately replicate on the ground

Heavy ions can impact biological systems

Transformative
biological science and exploration applications

1. Animal biology

Vertebrate and invertebrate models to probe analogous changes in humans



2. Plant Biology

From plant models to crops to sustain life for long-term human habitation



3. Microbiology

How it influences animals and plants in space



Thriving in Deep Space (TIDES)

- ☐ Ground studies
- ☐ Space studies
- ☒ Ground & space studies

DEEP SPACE STRESSORS

Gravity

Radiation

Temperature/Atmosphere

Day/Night/Circadian Cycle

Isolation

PLATFORM PROGRESSION

Ground

Sub-Orbital

LEO/ISS

Gateway

Lunar Surface

Mars Transit

Martian Surface

Understand Fundamental Mechanisms

Use model organisms to determine fundamental biology of the human in the deep space environment

- Utilize “omics”, systems biology, etc.
- Test small- & large-scale molecules, organisms, ecosystems
- Combined effects of radiation, gravity, & other stressors

Build the Blocks to Support Human Life

Study the environmental stressors in spaceflight on plants: crops and seeds

- Combined effects of radiation, gravity, & other stressors

Build a Foundation for Sustained Life on Mars

Engineer habitats and ecosystems to enable astronauts' independence from Earth

- Stabilize human/animal-plant-microbial ecosystems in the context of multiple deep space stressors

MODEL ORGANISM PROGRESSION

Unicellular (e.g., yeast, fungi)

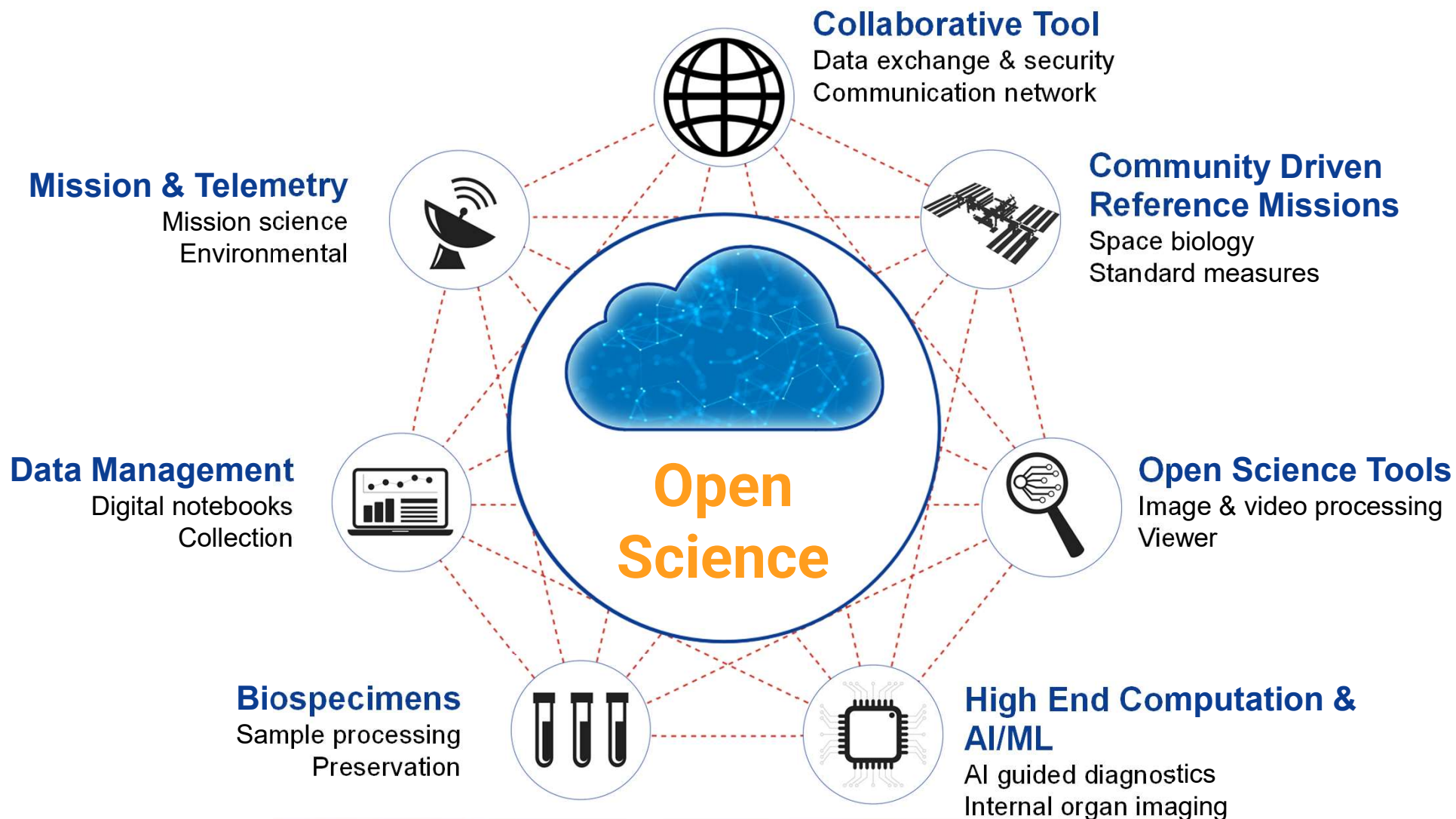
Invertebrates (e.g., flies, worms, tardigrades)

Vertebrates (e.g., mice & rats; fish)

Simple model plants (e.g., *Arabidopsis*)

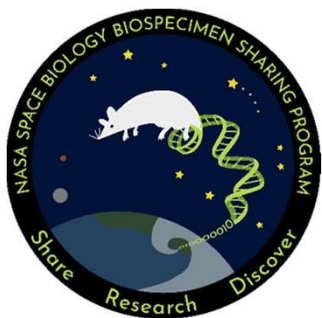
Crops & edible plants

Humans



NASA Biological Open Science Resources

Biospecimen Sharing Program (BSP)



Dissection and preservation of rodent tissues from Flight and Ground investigations. Coordination of internal tissue sharing



NASA Internal Program

NASA Biological Institutional Scientific Collection (NBISC)



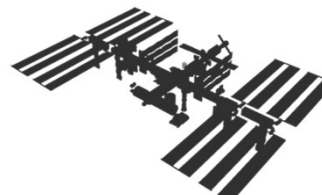
Collection of non-human specimens and space microbial culture



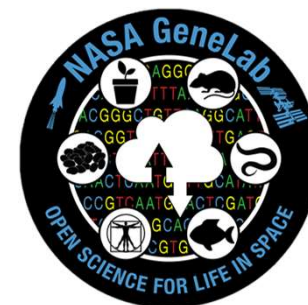
Ames Life Sciences Data Archive (ALSDA)



Collection and curation of mission, project, and imaging data



NASA GeneLab (GL)



Collection and curation of omics data



Open-Source Science Programs – Available Globally

433
Studies

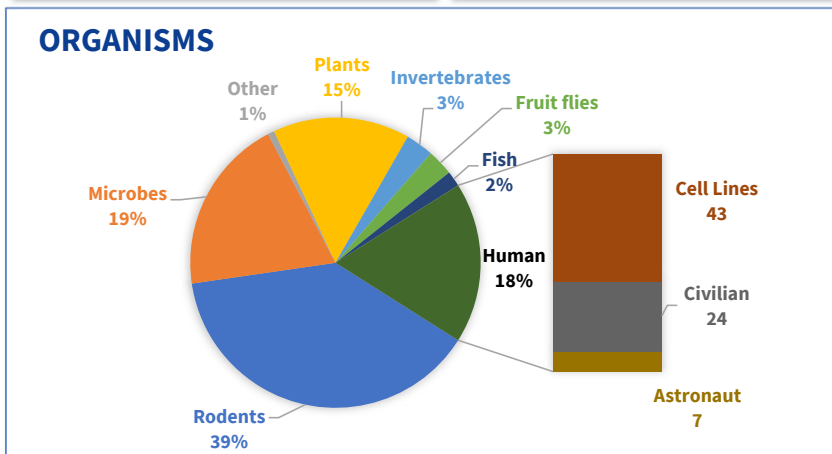
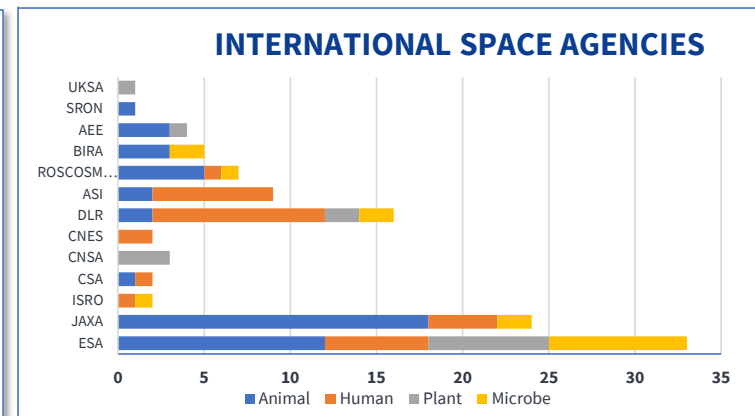
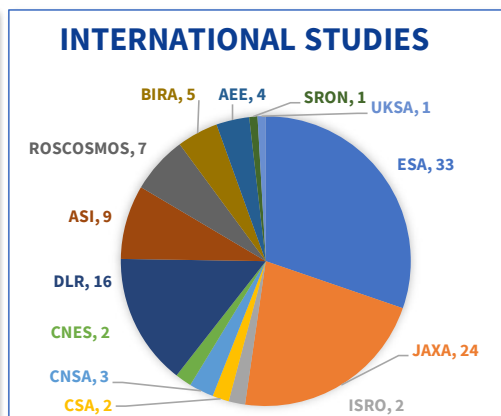
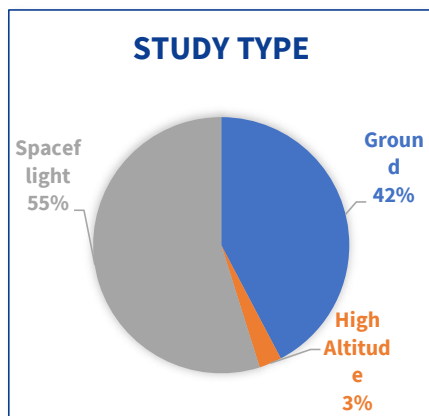
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Species

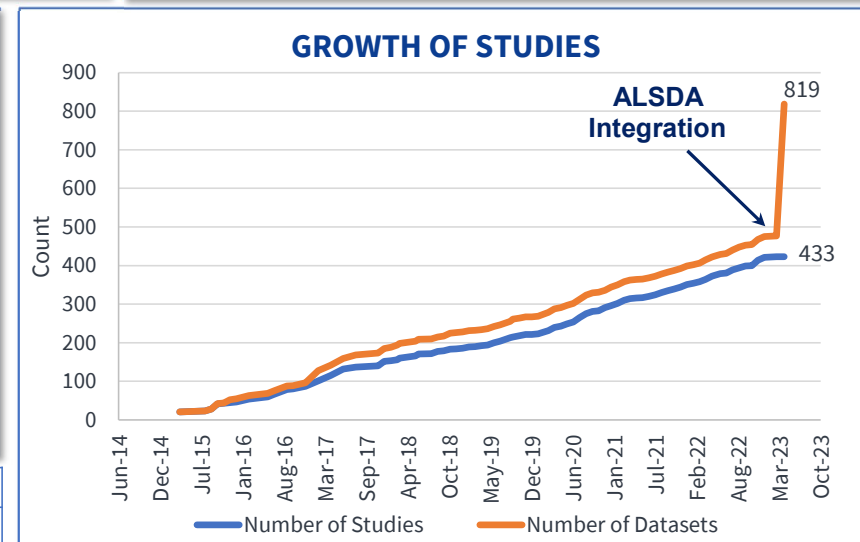
>25
Assays

>150TB
Data

OSDR Database (GeneLab and ALSDA)



Civilian and Astronaut	Bed Rest, Spaceflight, Mars simulation
Cell Lines	Radiation (Ground), Simulated uG, Spaceflight, Parabolic Flight

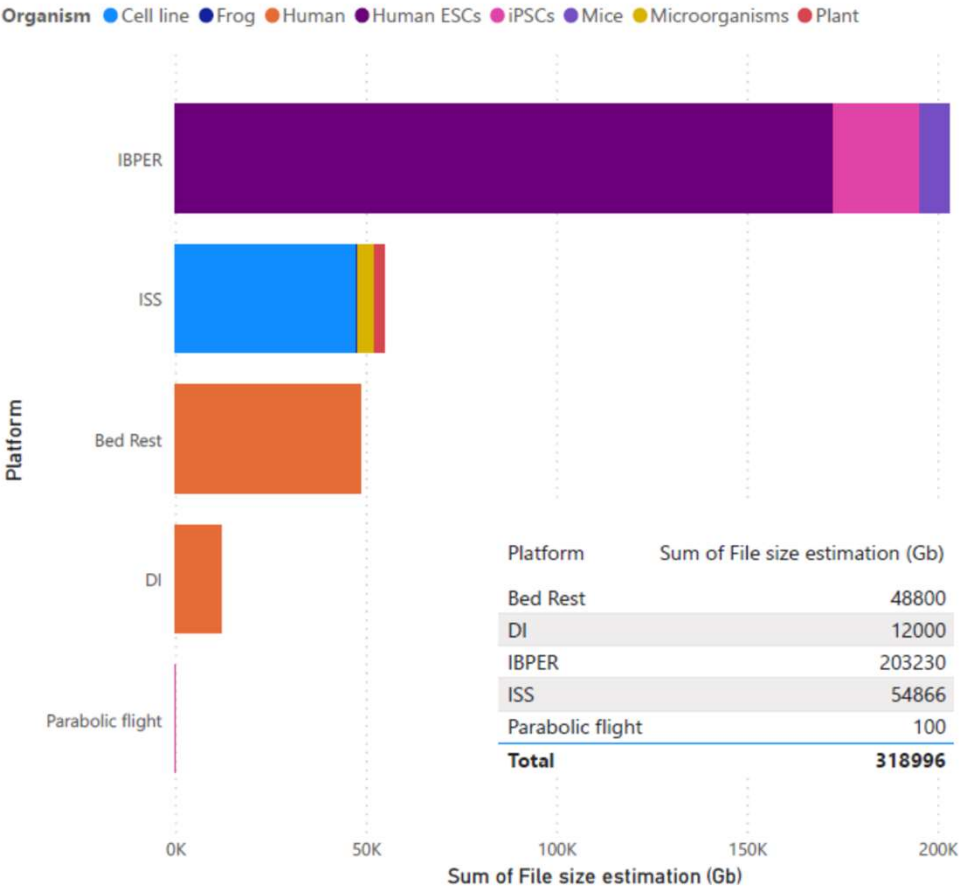


*Data originates from Gene Expression Omnibus (GEO) and EMBL's European Bioinformatics Institute (EMBL-EBI) repositories.

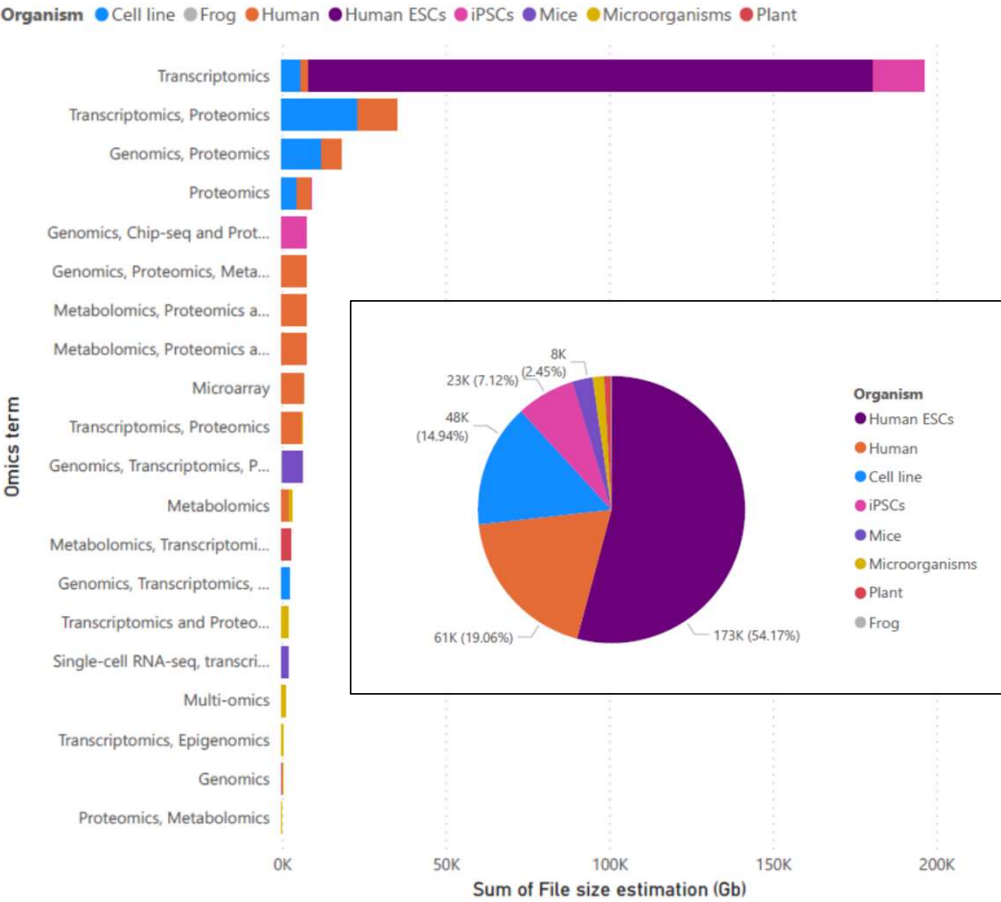
European Space Agency data arriving in OSDR: ~318 TB

Total of 39 Omics experiments, of which 21 are Multi-omics

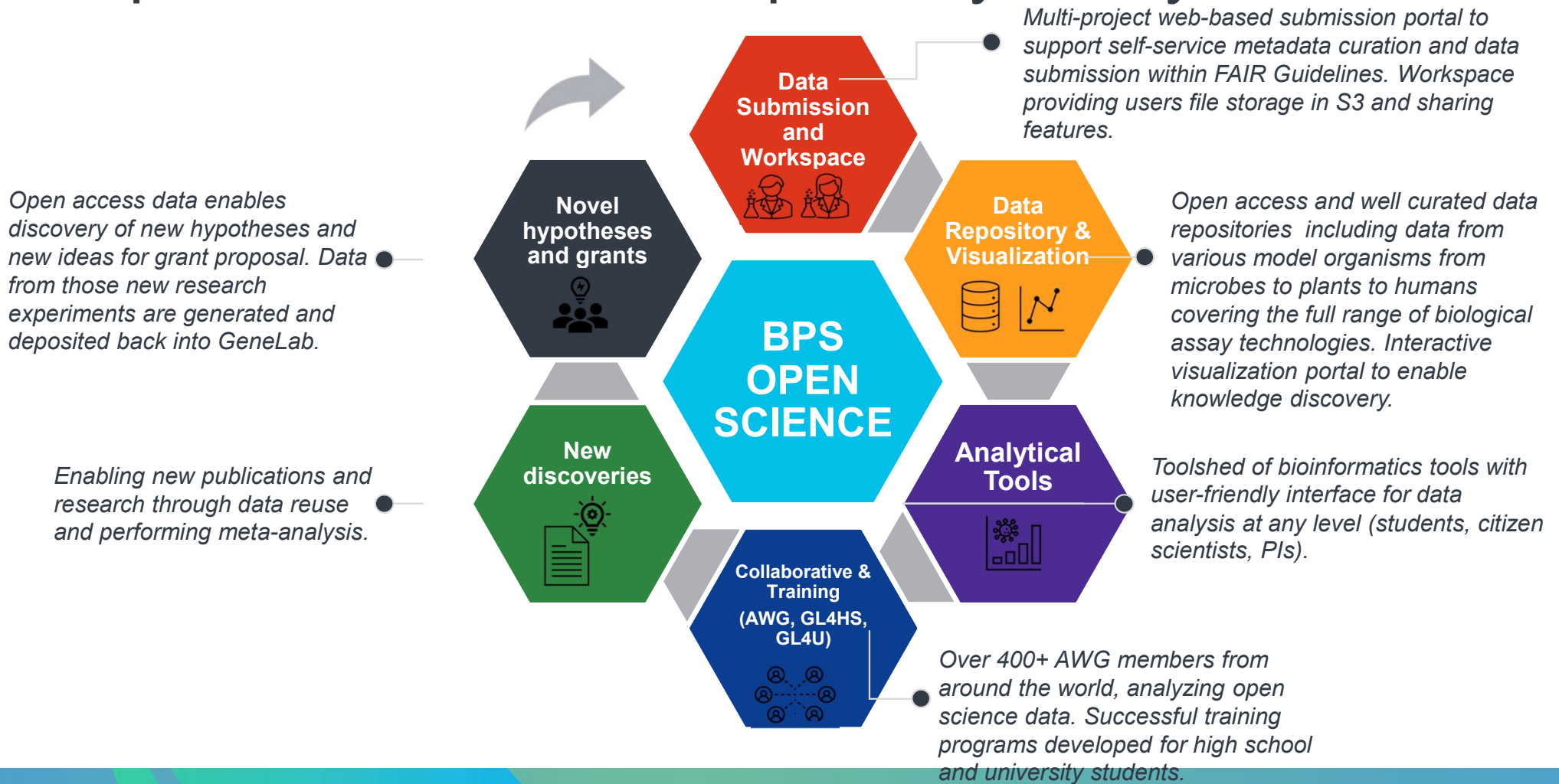
Sum of File size estimation (Gb) by Platform and Organism



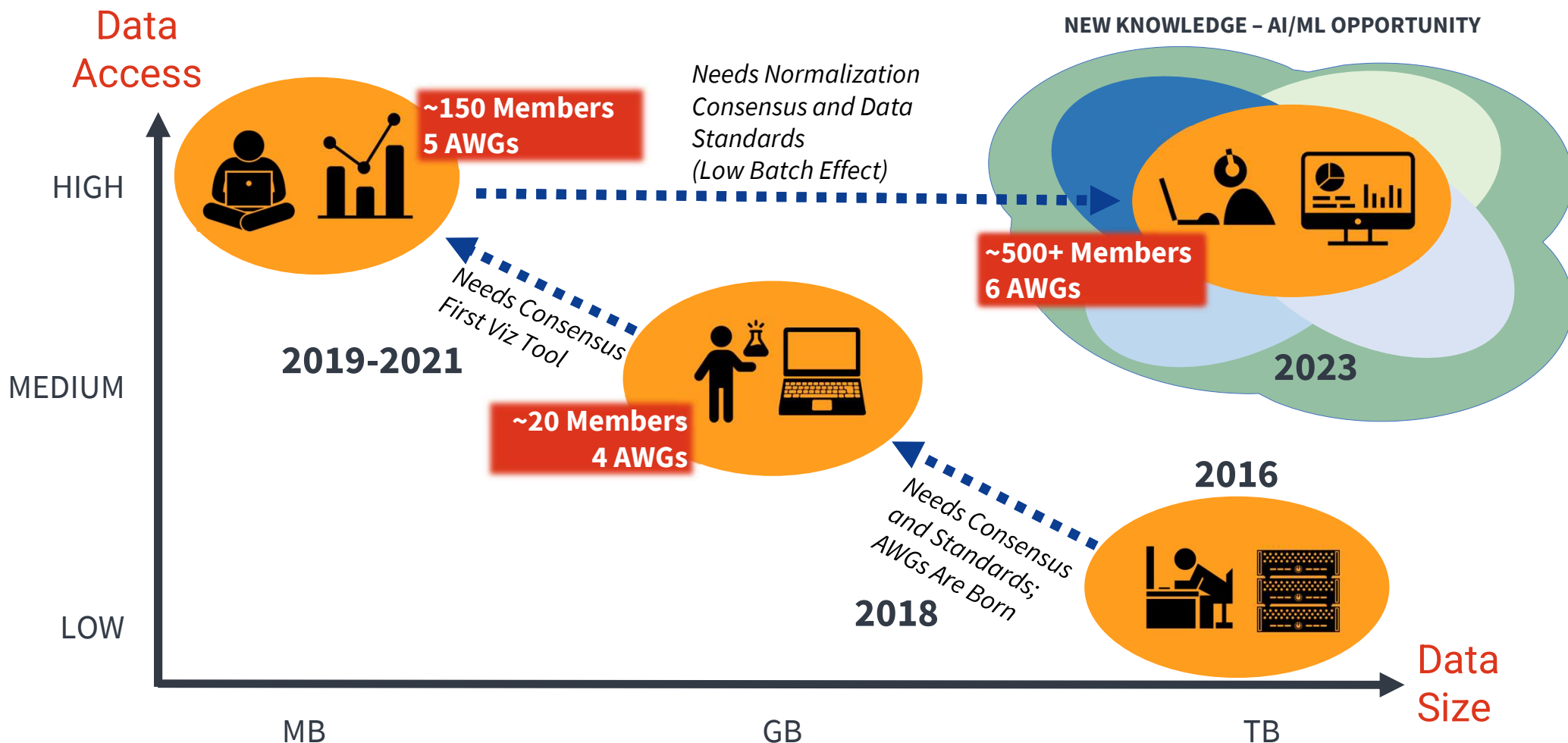
Sum of File size estimation (Gb) by Omics term and Organism



Open Science Data Repository ecosystem



A Brief History of the Open Science AWGs



Open Science Analysis Working Groups

ANIMAL

104 members



Facilitates the use of omics in understanding basic mechanisms which animals and constituent tissues and cells adapt to the spaceflight environment.



ISSOP - International Standards for Space Omics Processing

Repositories 4 Packages People 15 Teams 1 Projects Settings

Find a repository...

Type: All

Language: All

GeneLab-sampleProcessing

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ISSOP.github.io Private

HTML MIT 0 1 0 0 Updated on Jun 18, 2020

TsukubaGenomeBiology Private

Genome Biology Lab, University of Tsukuba

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PROBES

members



Focus on analyzing microbial datasets from GeneLab that includes genomics, proteomic, metabolomic and environmental metagenomic datasets.

PLANTS

88 members



Share and discuss the latest developments in Astrobiology – the discipline of botany concerned with interactions between plant biology and space environment.

DATA

members



Focus on science data and metadata standards for physiological, phenotypic, and omics datasets to be reusable. Datasets range from raw to processed-results data, and include tabular, bioimaging, and video datasets.

Consist of **500+ scientists** from multiple space agencies, international institutions, and industry. Scientists meet monthly with each group to provide feedback, develop standards, and analyze data.

We invite you to join - <https://genelab.nasa.gov/awg/join!>

Bootcamps—Enabling our scientific community

GL4U Direct Approach MSI/HBCU Students



2021 – Space biology & RNAseq

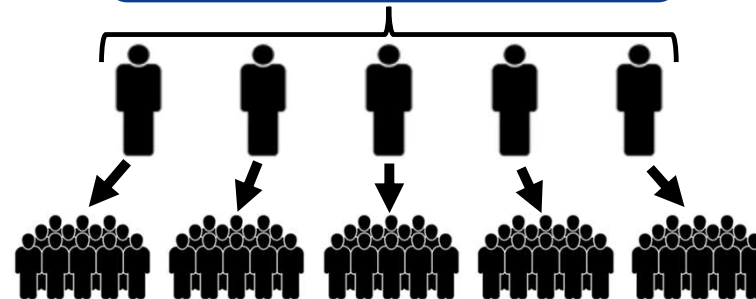
- Virtual 1-week long bootcamp with 14 **SJSU** students
- Collaboration with USRA/SJSU; SJSU compute system
- Space biology- and RNAseq-specific lectures and hands-on instruction using Jupyter Notebooks (JNs)

2023 – Space biology & Amplicon Seq

- In-person 4-day bootcamp with 20-40 **CSULA** students
- Collaboration with JPL/CSULA; NSF ACCESS compute system
- Space biology- and Amplicon Seq-specific lectures and JNs



GL4U Indirect Approach MSI/HBCU Educators



2022 – Space biology & RNAseq

- Virtual ~1.5-week long bootcamp
- Collaboration with JPL; SMCE compute system
- 6 professors and 4 graduate students from **4 HBCUs/MSIs**
- Space biology- and RNAseq-specific lectures and hands-on instruction using JNs
- Resources to teach at home institution

Metrics for success

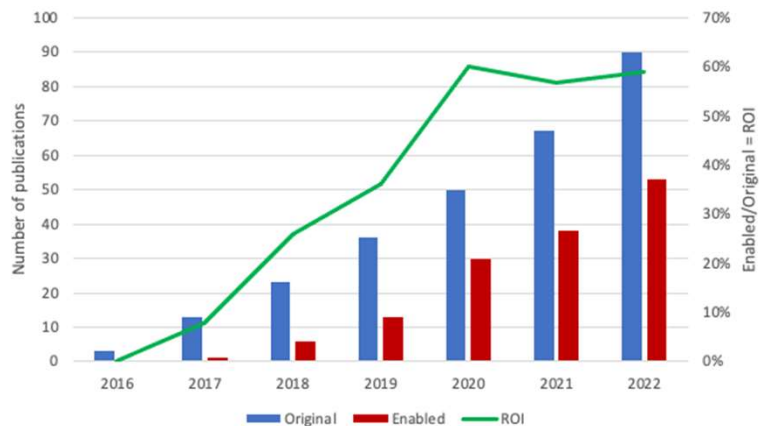
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Original Publications
linked to OSDR
(GeneLab/ALSDA)

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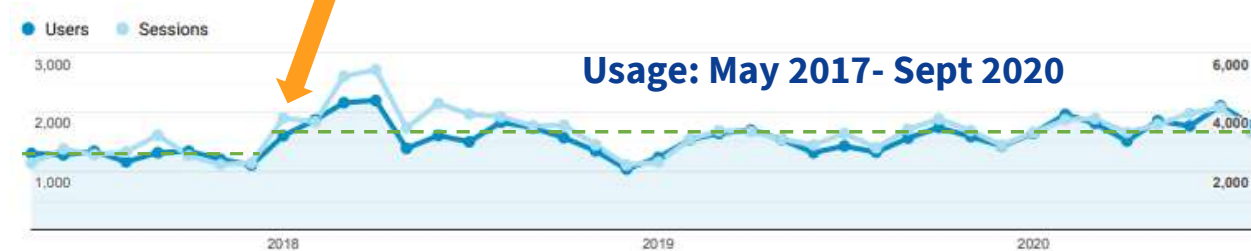
Publications Enabled by
OSDR System, Data
Sharing

ROI grows faster than publications linked to original



52 publications (13 publications produced by the AWGs) using data available in OSDR.

Introduction of Analysis
Working Groups



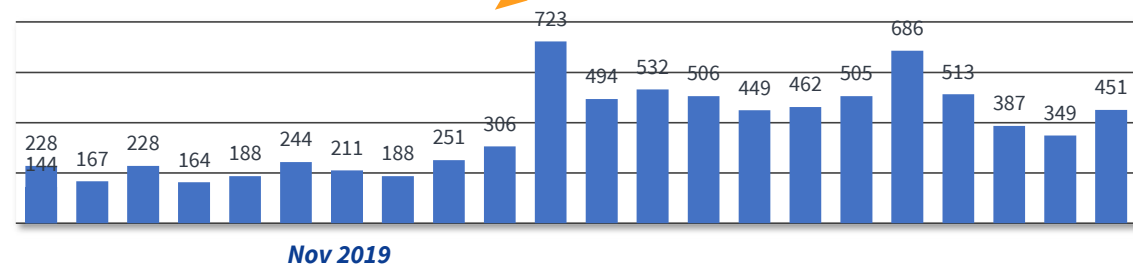
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Avg Monthly
Sessions

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Avg Monthly
Users

Introduction of Processed
Data and Visualization



360

Avg Monthly
Downloads

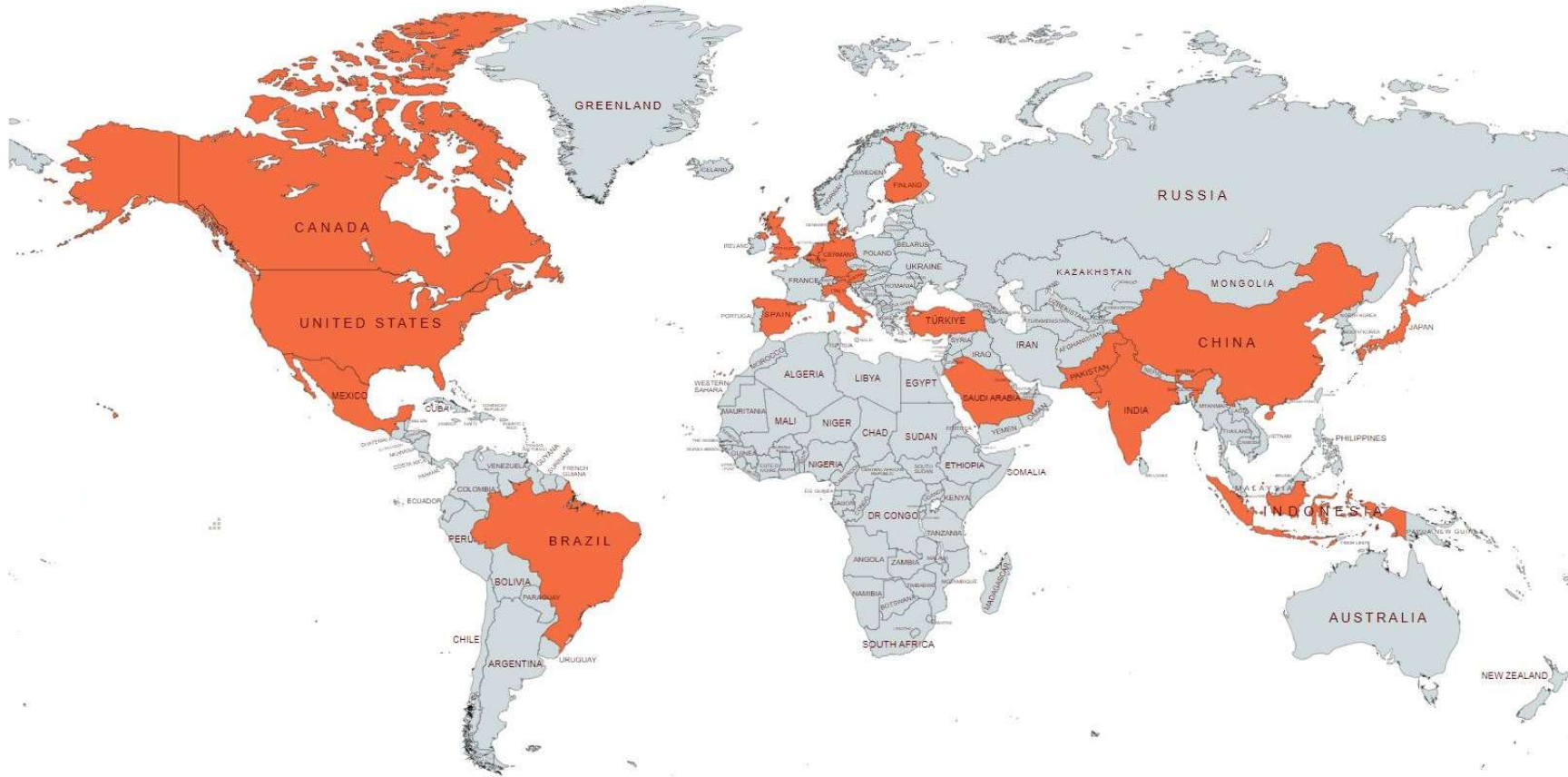
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Total Study
Downloads

Making data accessible worldwide

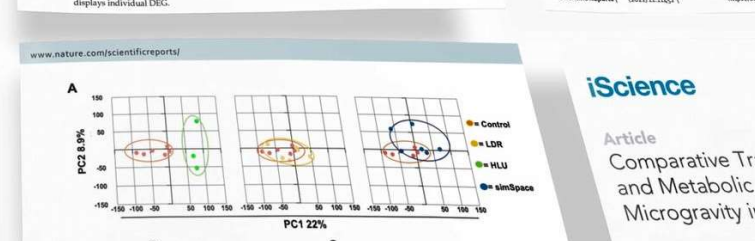
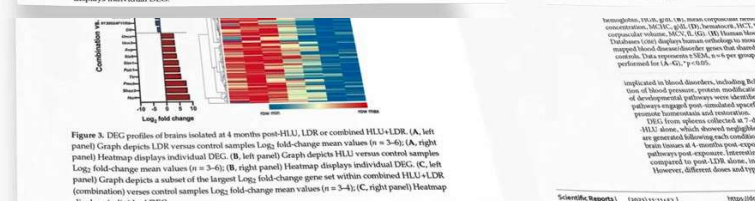
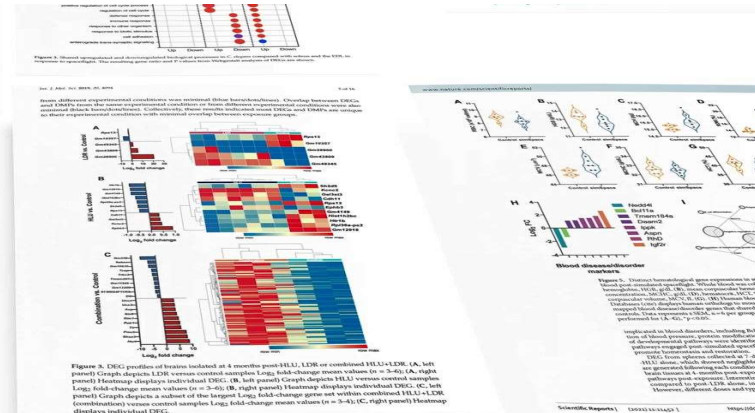
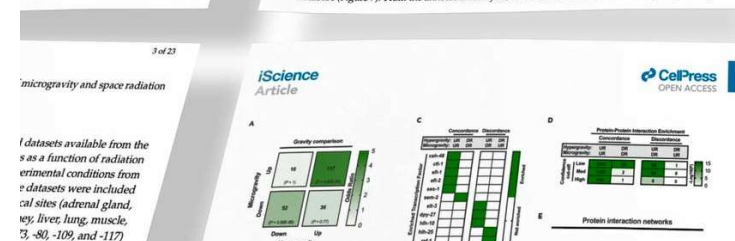
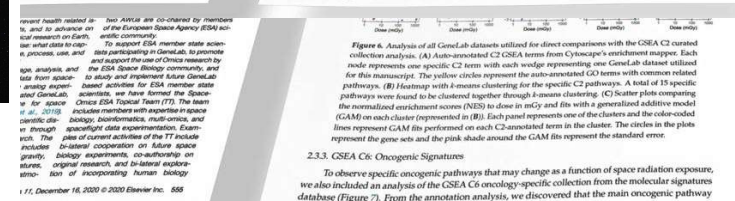
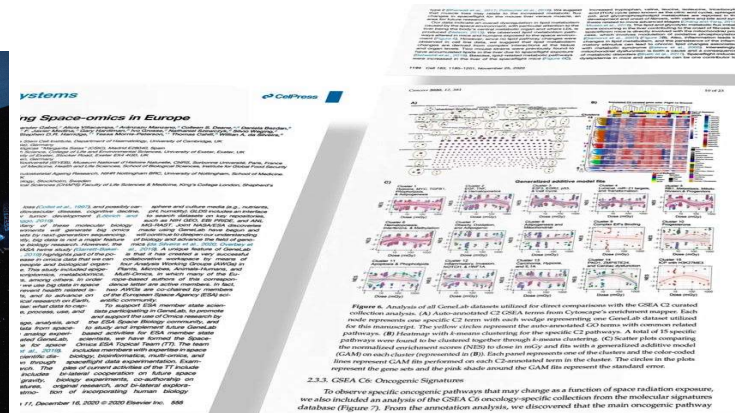
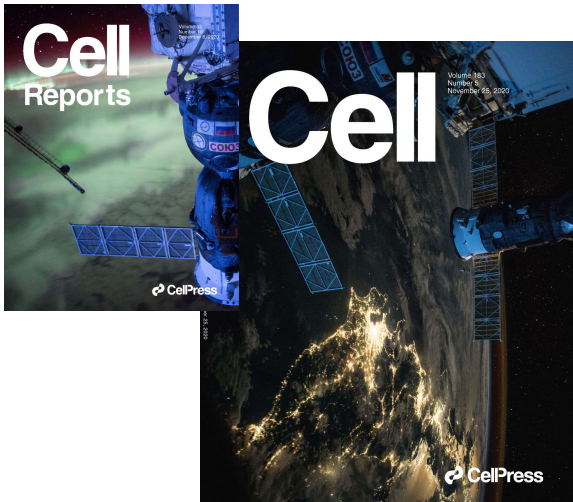
Top 20 Countries Utilizing GeneLab:

- US 🇺🇸
- China 🇨🇳
- UK 🇬🇧
- India 🇮🇳
- Germany 🇩🇪
- Spain 🇪🇸
- Canada 🇨🇦
- Brazil 🇧🇷
- Japan 🇯🇵
- Netherlands 🇳🇱
- Turkey 🇹🇷
- Belgium 🇧🇪
- Indonesia 🇮🇩
- Italy 🇮🇹
- Mexico 🇲🇽
- Pakistan 🇵🇰
- Saudi Arabia 🇸🇦
- Austria 🇦🇹
- Denmark 🇩🇰
- Finland 🇫🇮



Re-use of Data and Enabling New Discoveries

29 publications (10 publications produced by the AWGs) using data available in GeneLab.



A coordinated package of 29 scientific papers published in five Cell Press journals featuring 9 papers utilizing data or resources in GeneLab. High impact research highlights.

Comprehensive Multi-omics Analysis Reveals Mitochondrial Stress as a Central Biological Hub for Spaceflight Impact

Authors: Willian A. da Silveira, Hossein Fazelinia, Sara Brin Rosenthal, Evagelia C. Laiakis, Man S Kim, Cem Meydan, Yared Kidane, Komal S. Rathi, Scott M. Smith, Benjamin Stear, Yue Ying, Yuanchao Zhang, Jonathan Foox, Susana Zanello, Brian Crucian, Dong Wang, Adrienne Nugent, Helio A. Costa, Sara R. Zwart, Sonja Schrepfer, R. A. Leo Elworth, Nicolae Sapoval, Todd Treangen, Matthew MacKay, Nandan S. Gokhale, Stacy M. Horner, Larry N. Singh, Douglas C. Wallace, Jeffrey S. Willey, Jonathan C. Schisler, Robert Meller, J. Tyson McDonald, Kathleen M. Fisch, Gary Hardiman, Deanne Taylor, Christopher E. Mason, Sylvain V. Costes, Afshin Beheshti

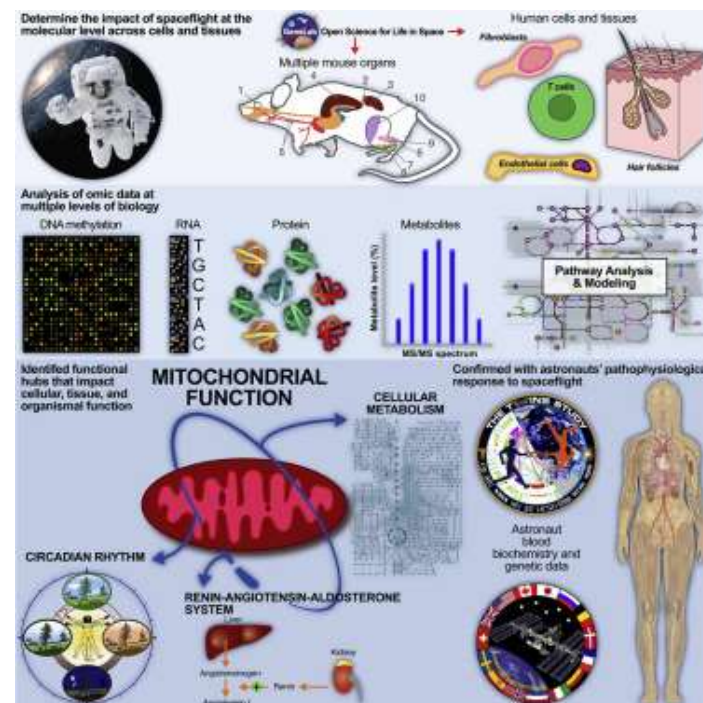
Journal: Cell

Highlights:

- Multi-omics analysis and techniques with NASA's GeneLab platform.
- The largest cohort of astronaut data to date utilized for analysis.
- Mitochondrial dysregulation driving spaceflight health risks.
- NASA Twins Study data validates mitochondrial dysfunction during space missions.

Relevance and Impact:

- Uncovered insights into fundamental biological mechanisms affected by spaceflight.
- Power of comparing and integrating multiple omics and data types to understand further how life adapts to spaceflight conditions.
- This concept can guide new nutritional and pharmaceutical interventions and studies that will increase the viability of long-term human-crewed space missions.



Spatial Transcriptomics for Space Samples - 10x Genomics Visium and Workflow

General Search Filters

Data Source

☒ GeneLab

☒ ALSDA

☐ NIH GEO

☐ EBI PRIDE

☐ ANL MG-RAST

Data Type

☒ Study

☐ Experiment

☐ Subject

☐ Biospecimen

☐ Payload

Assay Type

☒ Spatial Transcriptomics

Open Science Data Repository Search

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Study

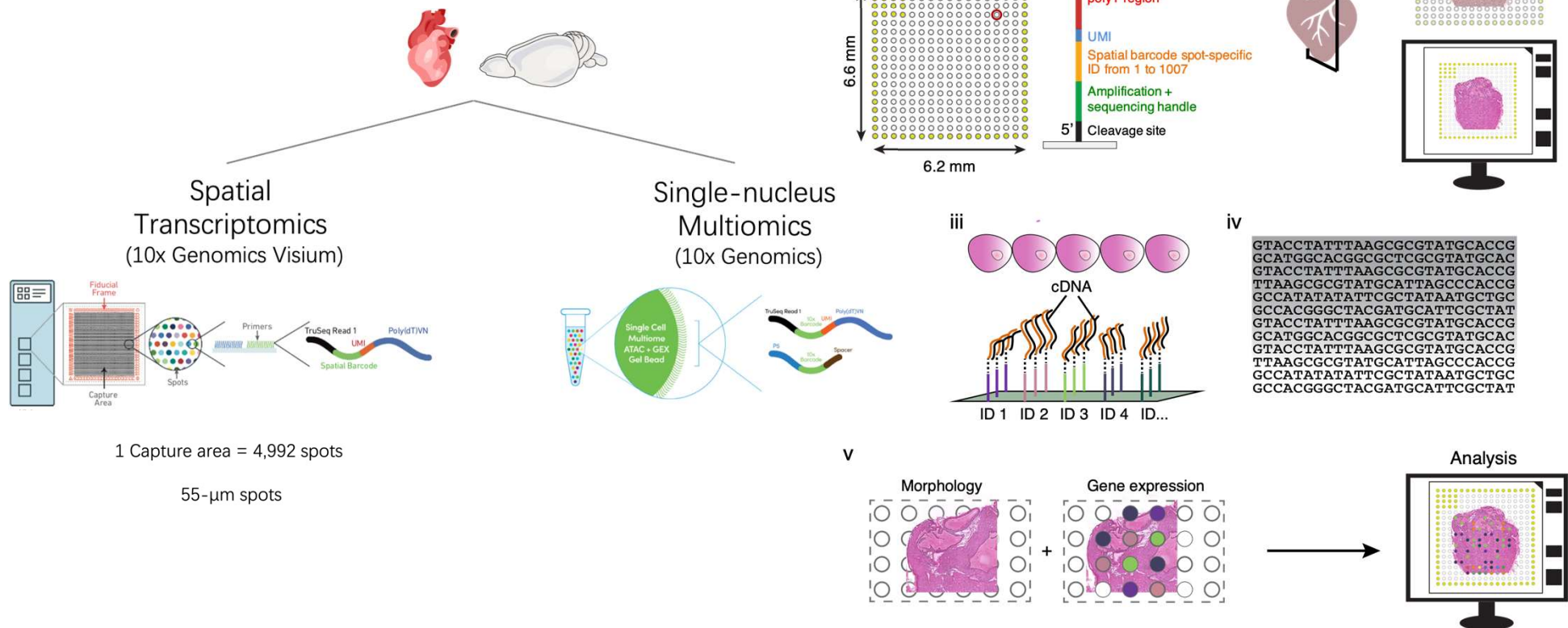
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Spatially resolved transcriptional profiling of cerebellums from mice flown on the RR-10 mission

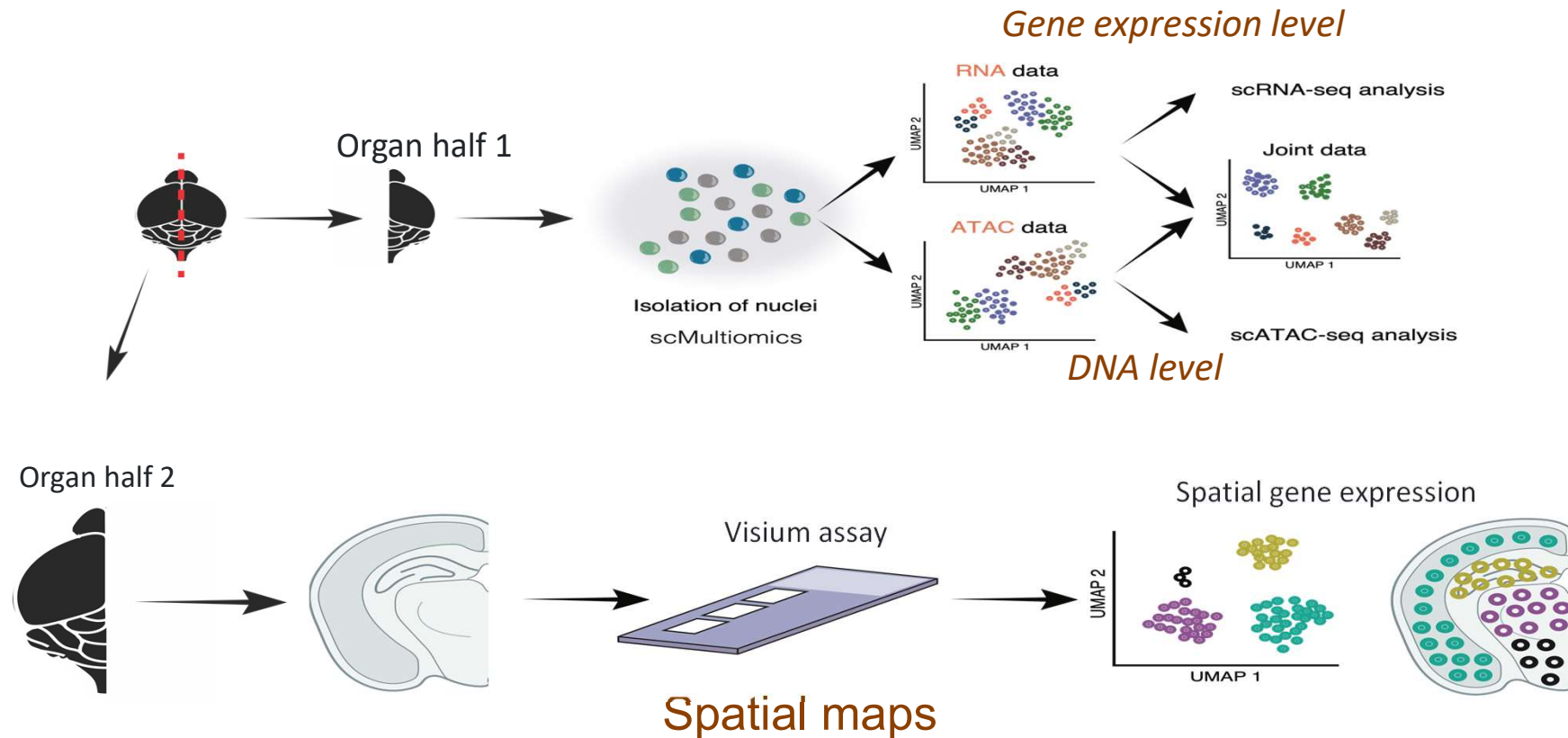
Organisms	Factors	Assay Types	Release Date	Description
Mus musculus	Spaceflight	transcription profiling	15-Dec-2022	The objective of the Rodent Research-10 mission (RR-10) was to investigate how spaceflight affects the cellular and molecular mechanisms of normal bone tissue regeneration in space. To this end, ten (...)

Highlights: *cgene*

Spatial Transcriptomics for Space Samples - 10x Genomics Visium and Workflow

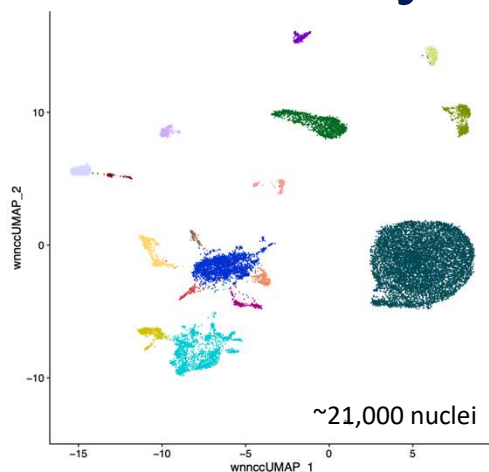


Multi-scale / Multi-modality (DNA, Genes, Tissue)



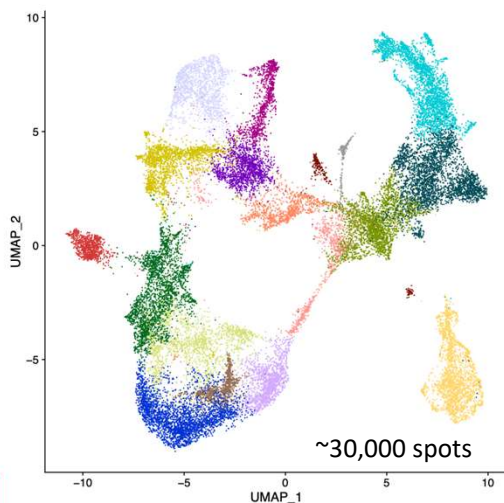
Brain - Preliminary

Multionics

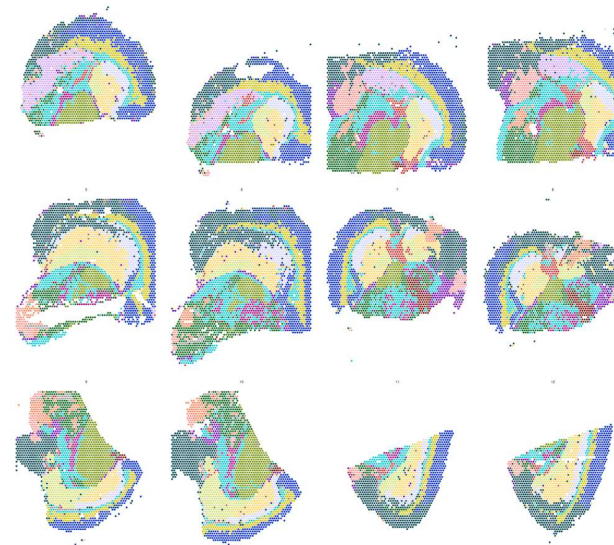


- 0 – Neurogenesis I
- 1 – Synaptic transmission I
- 2 – Neuronal activity, synaptic transmission I
- 3 – Myelination
- 4 – Astrocytes
- 5 – Glutamatergic synaptic transmission I
- 6 – Glutamatergic synaptic transmission II
- 7 – Glial development
- 8 – Glutamatergic synaptic transmission III
- 9 – Neurogenesis II
- 10 – Microglia
- 11 – GABAergic synaptic transmission
- 12 – Neurovasculature
- 13 – Neuronal activity, synaptic transmission II
- 14 – Neuroendocrine activity
- 15 – Neuronal activity, synaptic transmission III
- 16 – Glutamatergic synaptic transmission IV
- 17 – Synaptic transmission II

Visium



- 0 – Midbrain neurons
- 1 – Cortical neurons, top layer
- 2 – Neuroendocrine neurons
- 3 – Amygdalar and piriform neurons
- 4 – White matter
- 5 – Thalamic neurons
- 6 – Hippocampal CA1 neurons, pyramidal layer
- 7 – Auditory and entorhinal neurons
- 8 – Hippocampal CA3 neurons
- 9 – Cortical neurons, bottom layer
- 10 – Hippocampal CA1 neurons, striatum radiatum
- 11 – Dentate gyrus neurons
- 12 – Corpus callosum
- 13 – Neurovasculature
- 14 – Caudate/putamen neurons
- 15 – Retrosplenial neurons
- 16 – Choroid plexus and subventricular structures
- 17 – Choroid plexus





Publications

Cell Reports Methods

Volume 2, Issue 11, 21 November 2022, 100325

Perspective

Challenges and considerations for single-cell and spatially resolved transcriptomics sample collection during spaceflight

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Nature Communications - Under Review

1 Spatially resolved multiomics on the neuronal effects induced by spaceflight

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4 Björklund⁴, Robin Fallegger⁵, Pau Badia-i-Mompel⁵, Valery Boyko², Shubha Vasisht⁶, Amanda

5 Saravia-Butler², Samrawit Gebre², Enikő Lázár^{7,8}, Olaf Bergmann⁷, Deanne M Taylor^{6,9}, Douglas

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NASA Decadal Survey

TOPICAL: TAKING SPACE BIOLOGY TO THE NEXT ERA BY ENSURING STANDARDIZATION, APPLICABILITY OF *IN SITU* TISSUE ANALYSIS AND COMPUTATIONAL PREDICTIONS

Graphical abstract



- Standardization of omics experiments is required
- Single-cell RNA-sequencing and spatially-resolved transcriptomics experiments are needed to extract more information from biological specimens exposed to spaceflight
- Artificial Intelligence will reduce the time required by astronauts to physically work on scientific experiments

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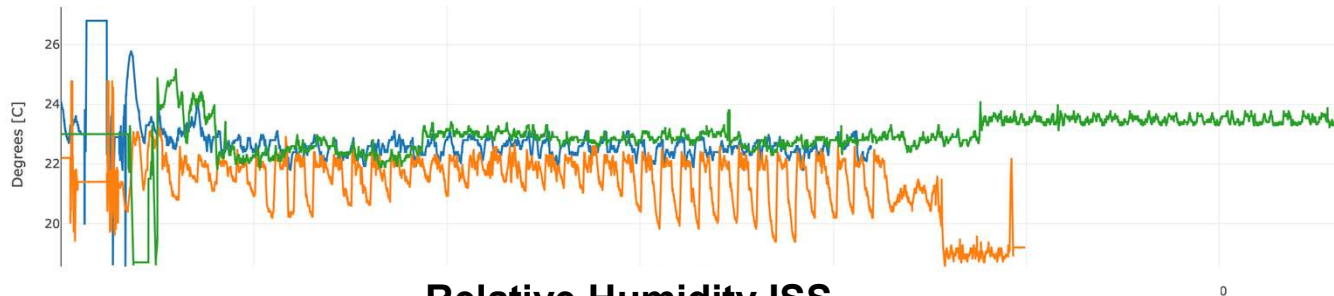
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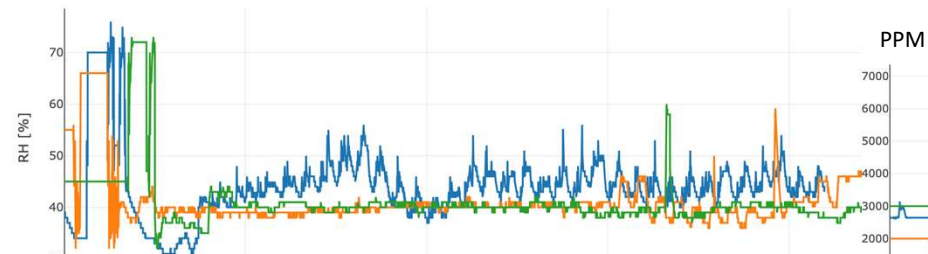
Temperature ISS (°C)



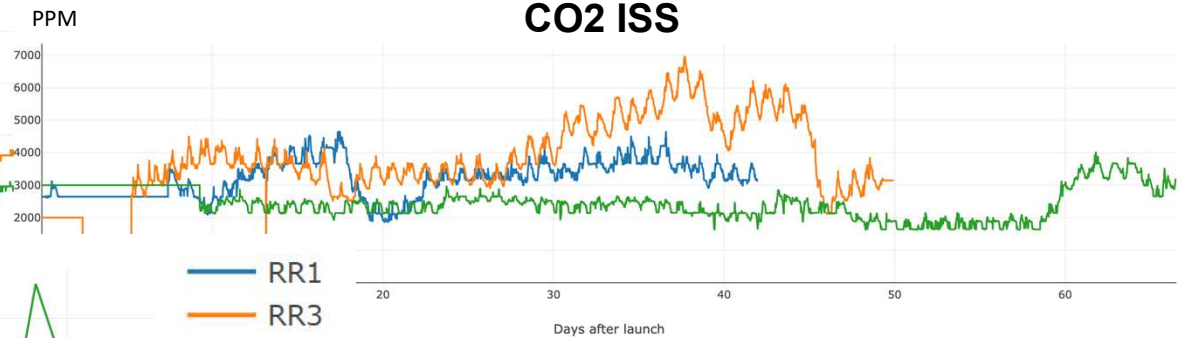
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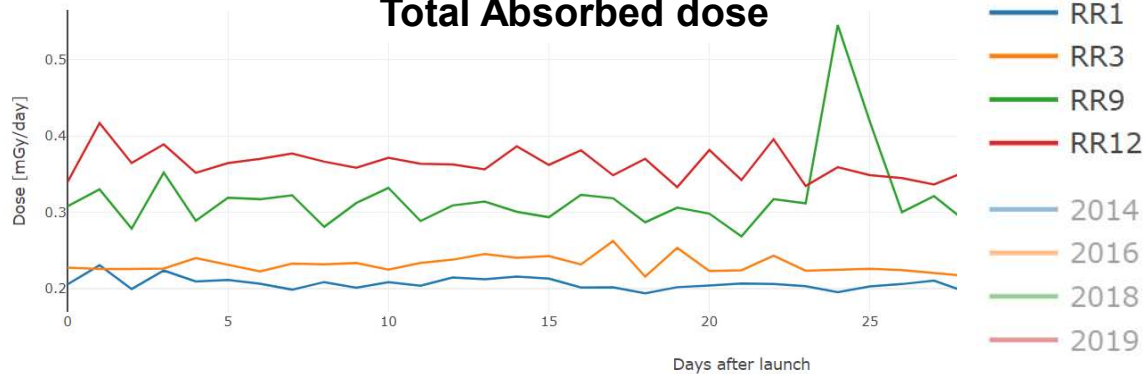
Relative Humidity ISS



CO2 ISS



Total Absorbed dose



[Data overview](#)[Time series plots](#)[Data comparison](#)[Geographical plots](#)[Data access / API](#)

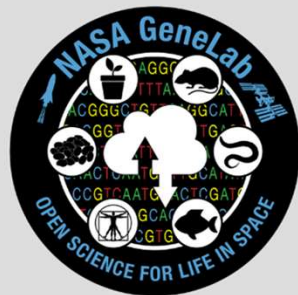
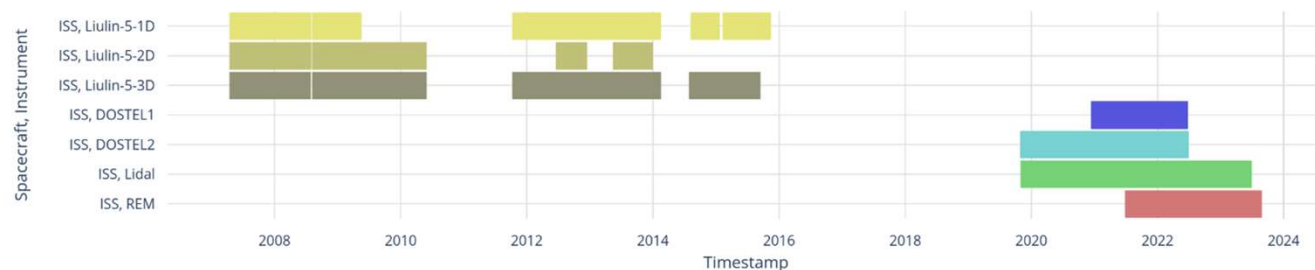
The RadLab portal and the RadLab data API

RadLab is a portal that aims to provide a single point of access to radiation telemetry data from multiple databases maintained by multiple space agencies. The Web interface provides the ability to query, visualize, inspect, and download data; for example, [time series plots](#) of readings from multiple radiation detectors, [pairwise comparisons](#) of detector readings, and [geospatial visualizations](#) of radiation dose and flux registered by the detectors.

[The underlying API](#) enables data selection and retrieval at a programmatic level.

The demo version of RadLab contains the data obtained from four detectors included in the DORELI project (DOSTEL1, DOSTEL2, Lidal, REM; [Italian Space Agency](#)) and the data from three Liulin-5 detectors ([Bulgarian Academy of Sciences](#)). All seven detectors are/were located on the International Space Station (ISS).

Time span of available detector readings



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OTHER RESOURCES

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- [NASA Ames Space Biosciences Division](#)
- [NASA Life Sciences Data Archive](#)
- [NASA Physical Science Informatics](#)
- [Center for the Advancement of Science in Space](#)



- Data overview
- Time series plots
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Spacecraft, Instrument

- ☒ ISS, DOSTEL1
- ☒ ISS, DOSTEL2
- ☒ ISS, Lidal
- ☒ ISS, REM
- ☐ ISS, Liulin-5-1D
- ☐ ISS, Liulin-5-2D
- ☐ ISS, Liulin-5-3D

Measurement

- ☒ Total dose rate
- ☐ Total flux

Time period

Start: 04 / 01 / 2022, 12 : 00 AM
End: 04 / 02 / 2022, 12 : 00 AM

Scale

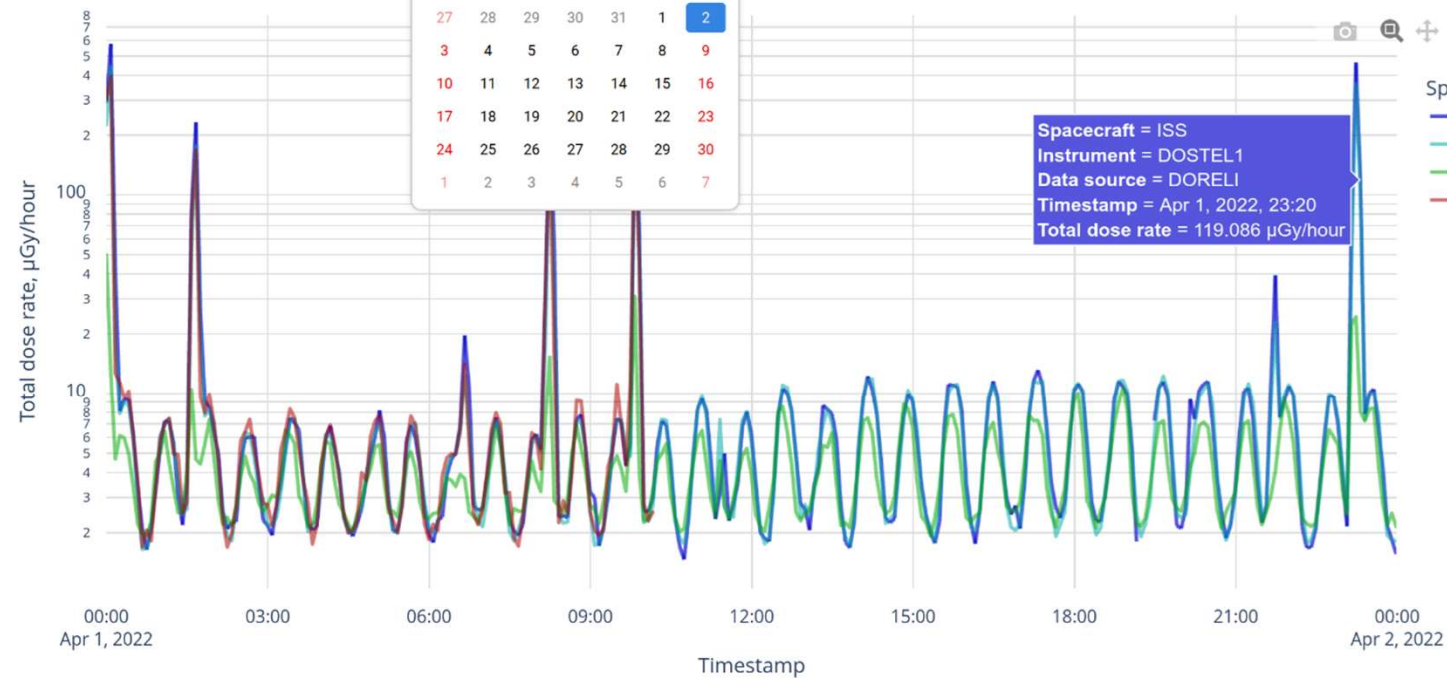
- ☐ Linear
- ☒ Log

Update

Retrieved data

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Spacecraft, Instrument

- ISS, DOSTEL1
- ISS, DOSTEL2
- ISS, Lidal
- ISS, REM



Geospatial plots

The interactive plot overlays the data from a single detector over the world map. In the demo example (a full year of radiation dose rate data from the REM detector, from 2022/01/01 to 2023/01/01), the contribution of the South Atlantic Anomaly can be clearly seen.

Note: the zoom level of the plot can be adjusted with the mouse wheel.

Spacecraft, Instrument

- ☐ ISS, DOSTEL1
- ☐ ISS, DOSTEL2
- ☐ ISS, Lidal
- ☒ ISS, REM
- ☐ ISS, Liulin-5-1D
- ☐ ISS, Liulin-5-2D
- ☐ ISS, Liulin-5-3D

Measurement

- ☒ Total dose rate
- ☐ Total flux

Time period

Start: 01/01/2022 12:00 AM

End: 01/01/2023 12:00 AM

Scale

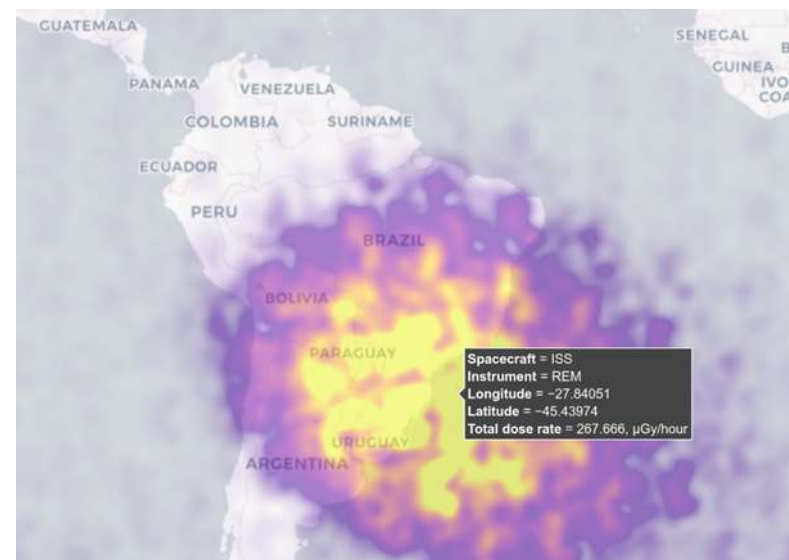
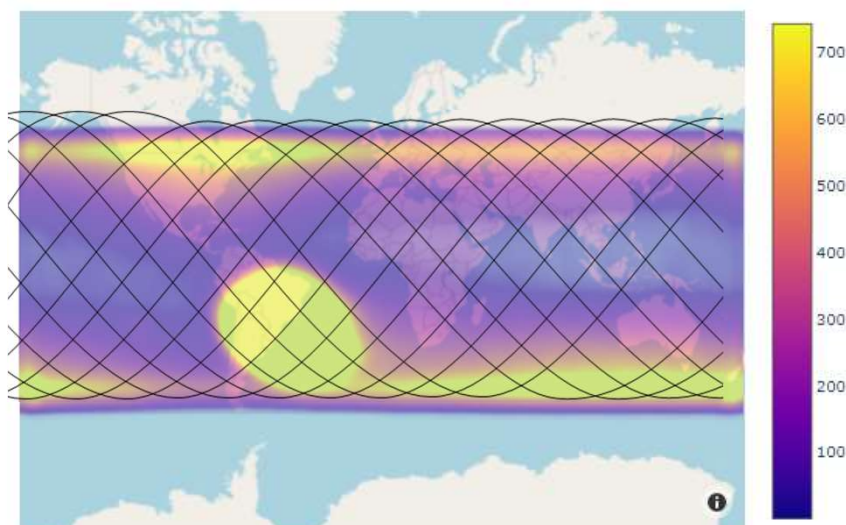
- ☒ Linear
- ☐ Log

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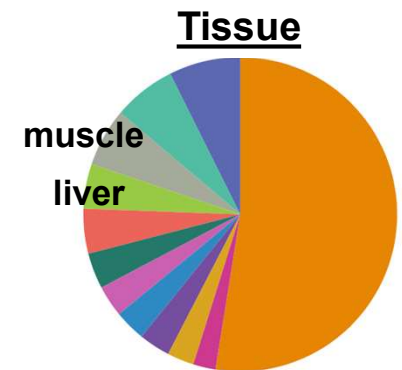
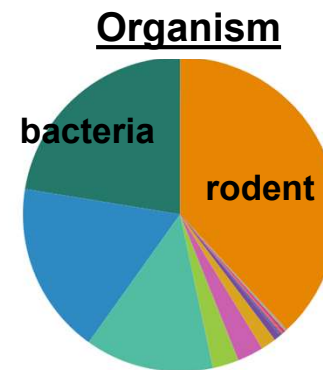
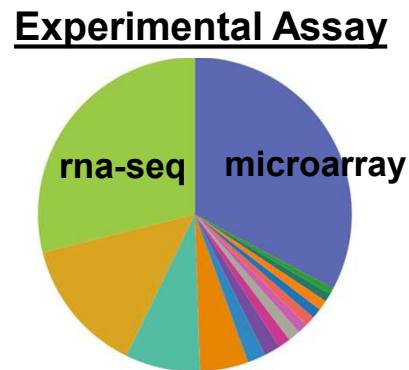
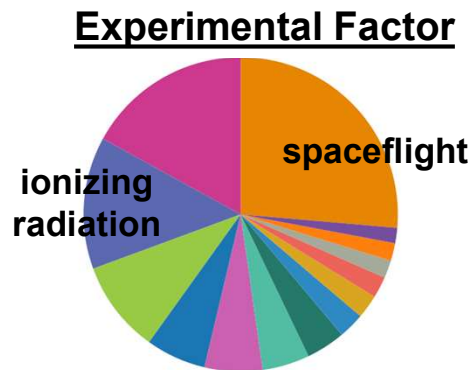
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Visualization and Analysis Platform

1. Filter Data



2. Select Datasets to Analyze

	OSD	Title	Assay	Organism	Tissue	Factor
<input type="checkbox"/>	OSD-47	Rodent Research-1 (RR1) National Lab Validation Flight: Mouse liver transcriptomic, proteomic, epigenomic and histology data	RNA Sequencing (RNA-Seq)	Mus musculus	Liver	spaceflight,spaceflight.term accession number,spaceflight.term source ref,
<input type="checkbox"/>	OSD-48	Rodent Research-1 (RR1) NASA Validation Flight: Mouse liver transcriptomic, proteomic, epigenomic and histology data	RNA Sequencing (RNA-Seq)	Mus musculus	Liver	dissection condition,spaceflight,spaceflight.term accession number,spaceflight.term source ref,

[Visualize Study](#)

Multi-Study Normalization

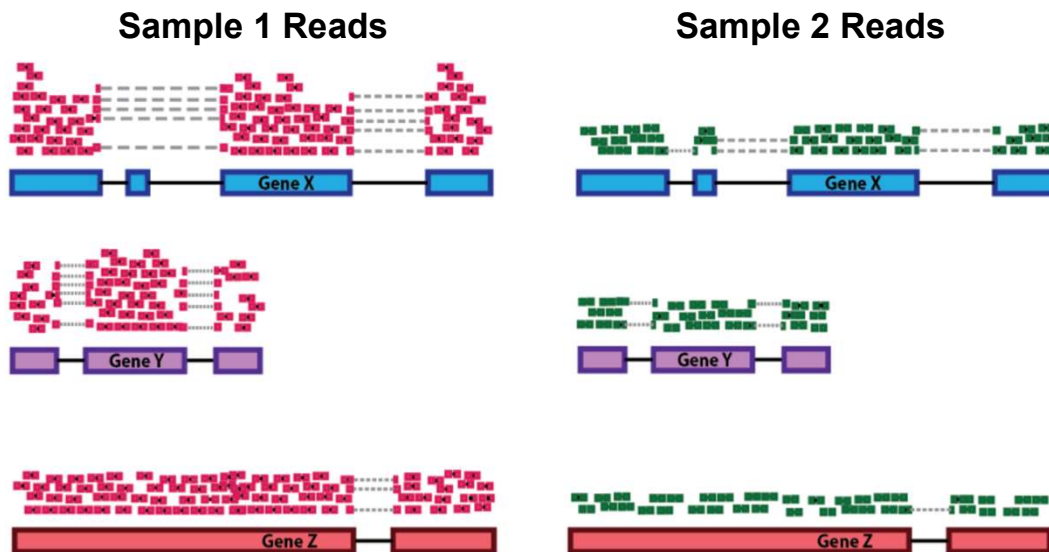
- Multiple RNA-seq studies can be *combined* and *normalized*
- DESeq2 “Median of Ratios” normalization
 - Ensures that all samples are directly comparable across experiments

Multiple RNA Sequencing (RNA-Seq) studies selected

You have selected studies with assay technology RNA Sequencing (RNA-Seq). Would you like to normalize?

- ☒ Normalize using DESeq2
- ☐ No normalization

DESeq2 Median of Ratios



- Sample 1 was sequenced at higher depth than Sample 2
- Direct comparison without normalization makes it look like **all** genes are expressed more highly in Sample 1
- DESeq2 Median of Ratios:
 - Leverages the fact that most genes should be similar across samples
 - Borrows information across samples in order to calculate a "normalization factor" for each gene
 - Converts raw counts to normalized counts

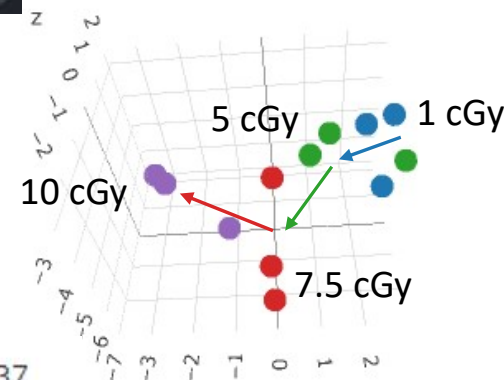
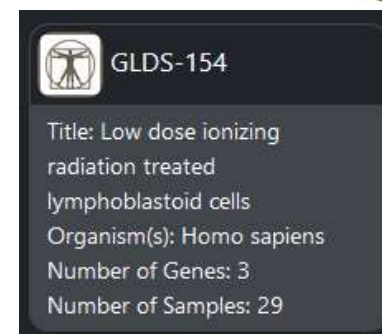
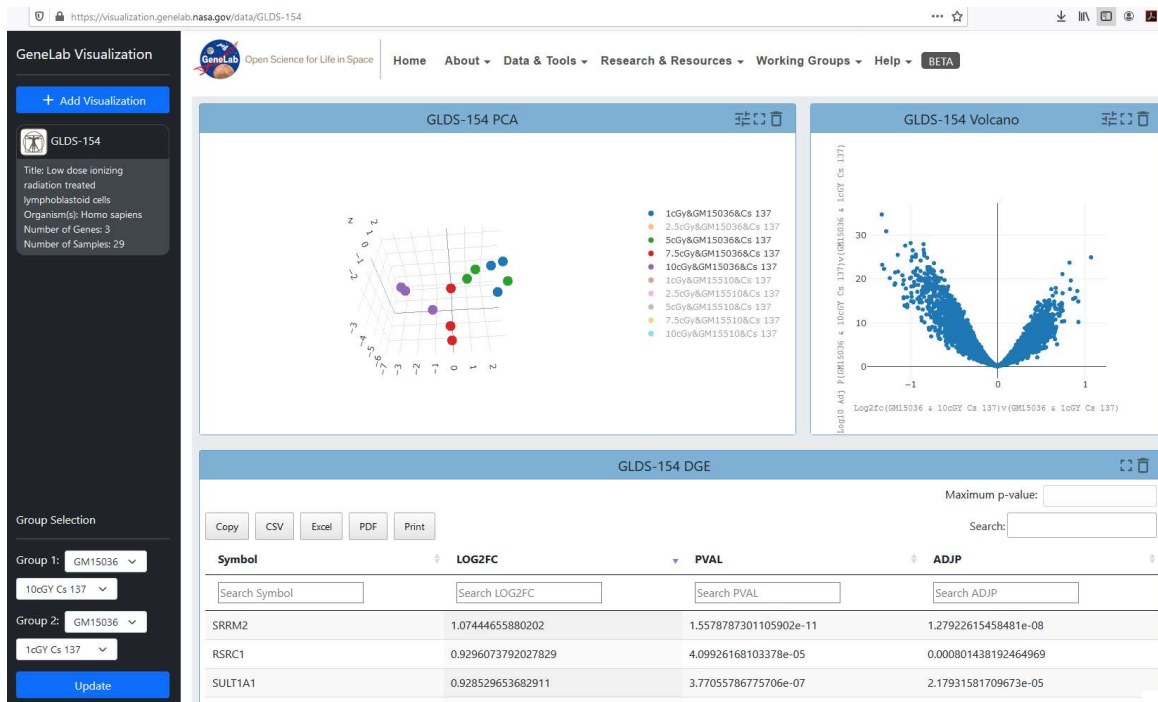
Low dose radiation transcriptomic data can be visualized



Application



Visualization Platform



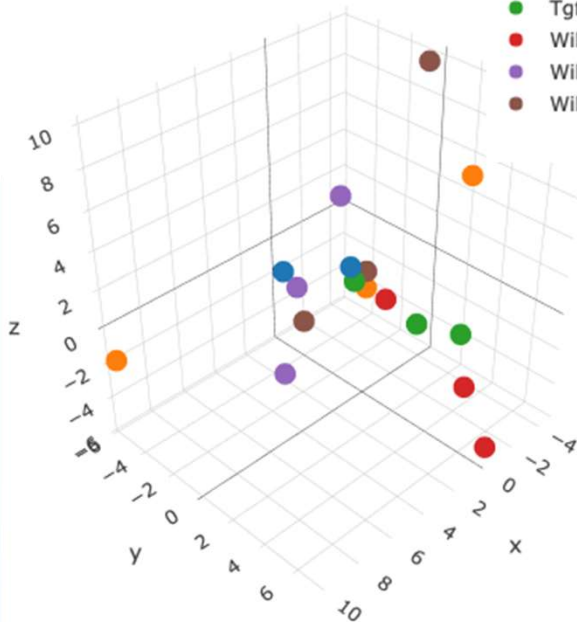
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- 2.5 cGy&GM15036&Cs 137
- 5 cGy&GM15036&Cs 137
- 7.5 cGy&GM15036&Cs 137
- 10 cGy&GM15036&Cs 137

Wu P, Coleman M, Wyrobek AJ. "Low dose ionizing radiation treated lymphoblastoid cells", GeneLab, Version 3, <http://doi.org/10.26030/hs0p-6w85>

Low dose radiation transcriptomic data can be visualized

GLDS-153: Non-targeted effects of low dose ionizing radiation act via TGF-beta to promote mammary carcinogenesis

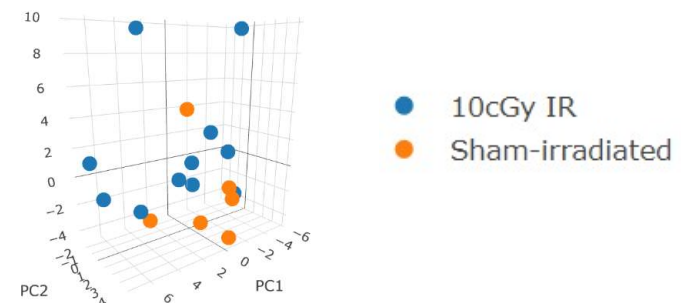
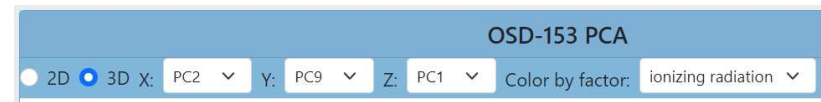
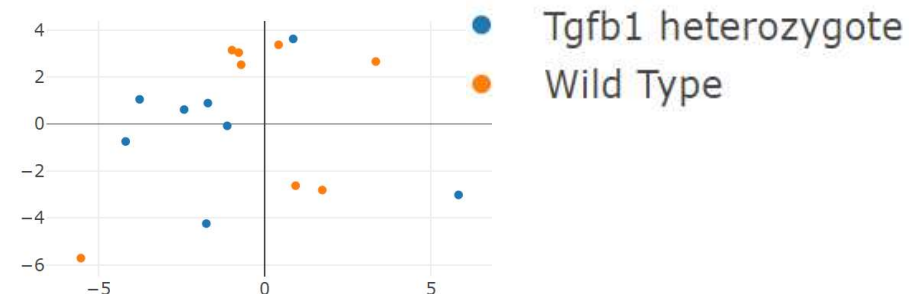
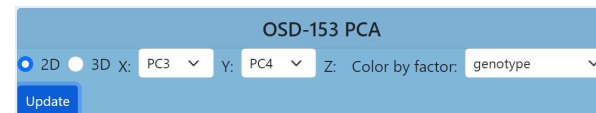
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- Tgfb1 heterozygote &10cGy IR&4 {week}
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- Wild Type&10cGy IR&1 {week}
- Wild Type&10cGy IR&4 {week}
- Wild Type&Sham-irradiated&1 {week}



Example: Barcellos-Hoff Lab low dose data

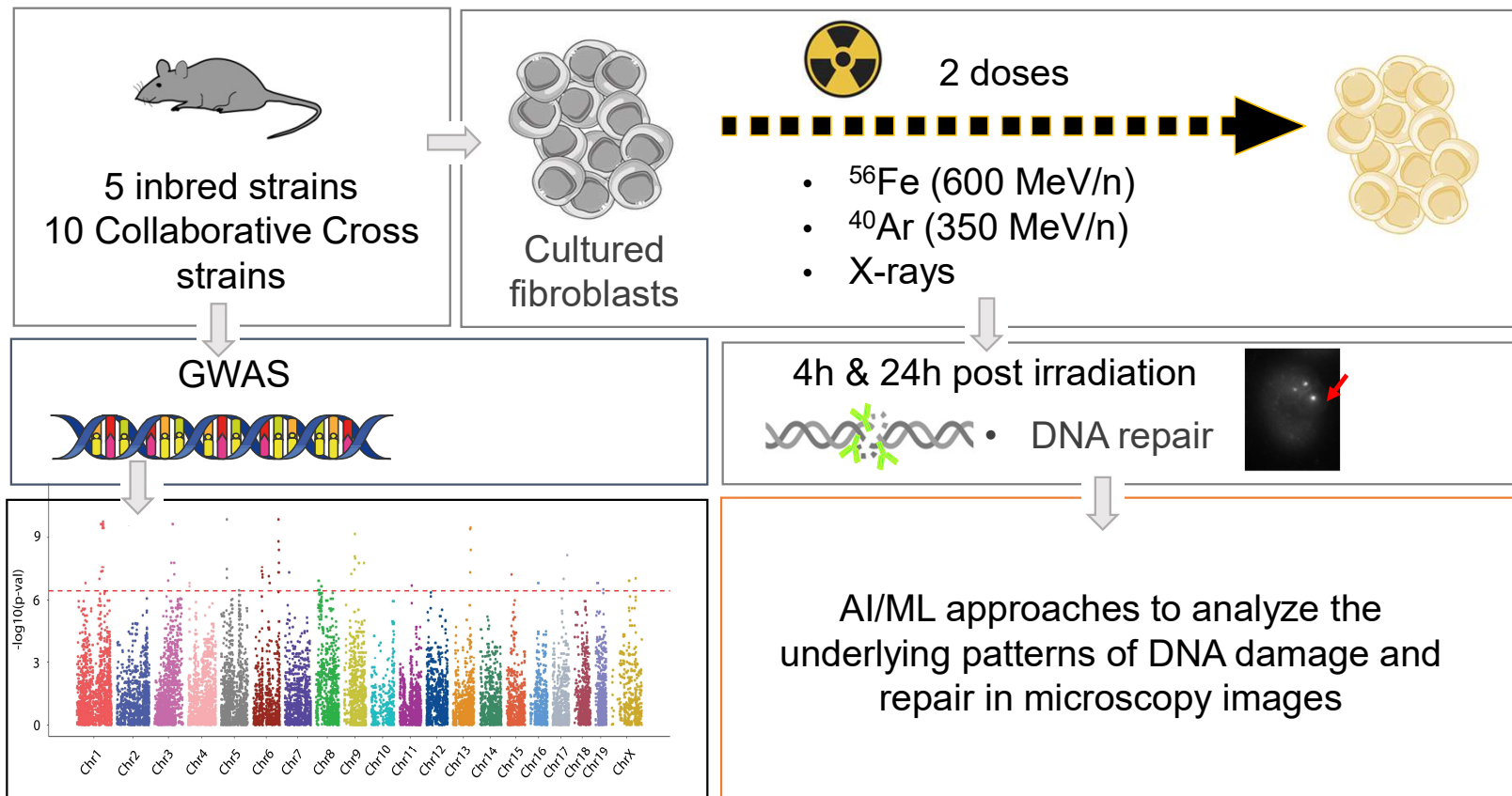


Visualization Platform



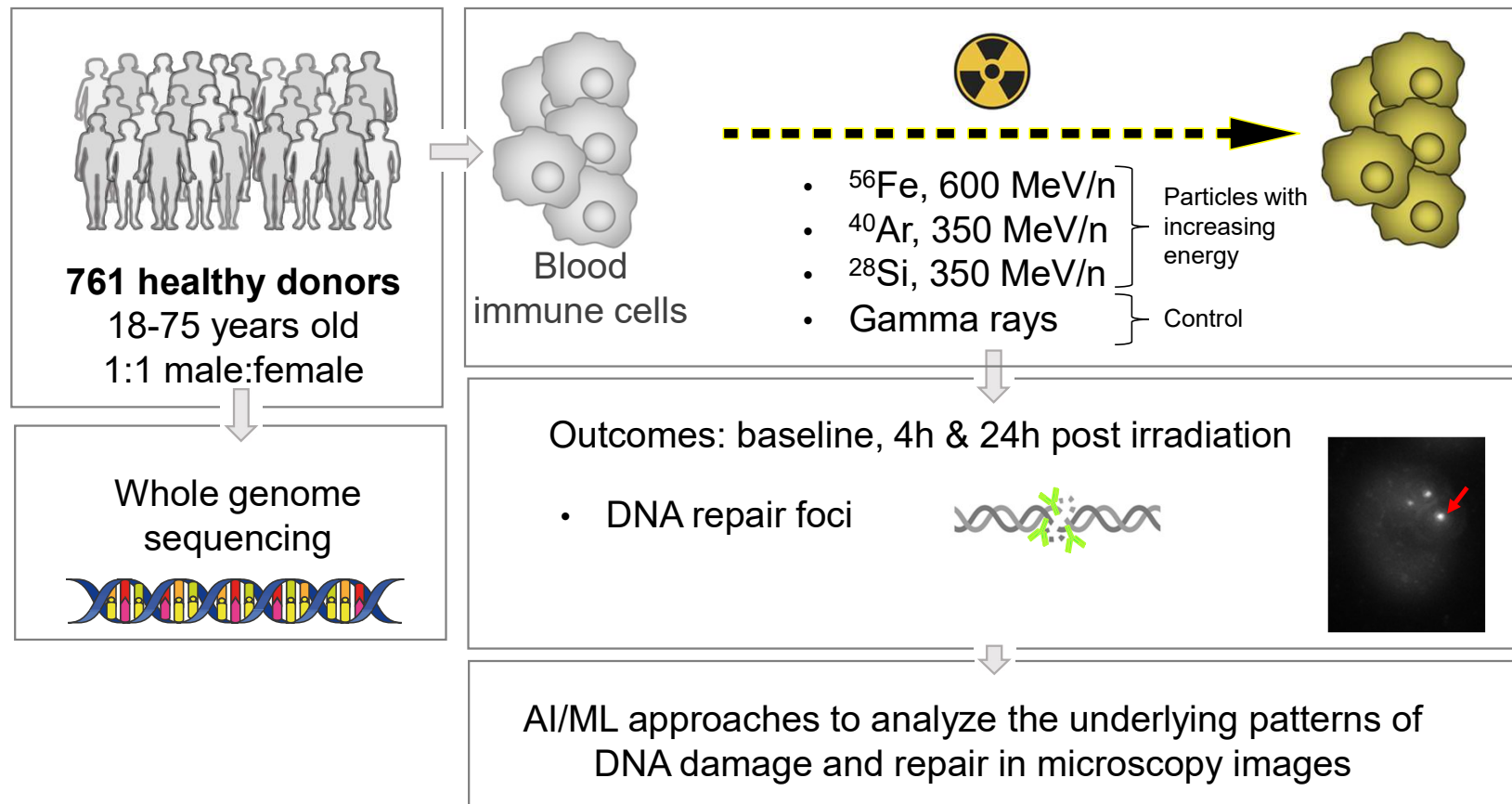
Radiation data available in OSDR: rodent

OSD-366



Radiation data available in OSDR: human

OSD-408



Plants grown in Apollo lunar regolith present stress-associated transcriptomes that inform prospects for lunar exploration.

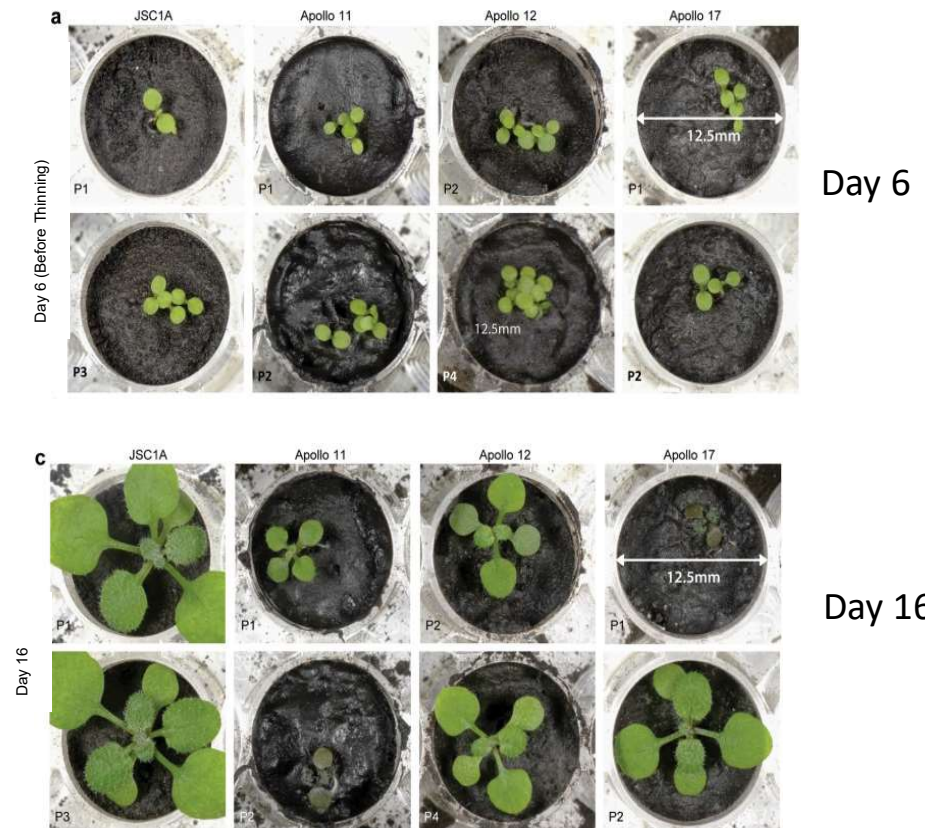
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Arabidopsis thaliana germinates and grows in regolith

- Regolith samples from Apollo 11, 12, and 17 were used.
- JSC-1A = simulant control.
- Germination rates were close to 100% in all sources of Apollo regolith.
- Regolith-grown seedlings, however, did not thrive compared to JSC-1A controls.

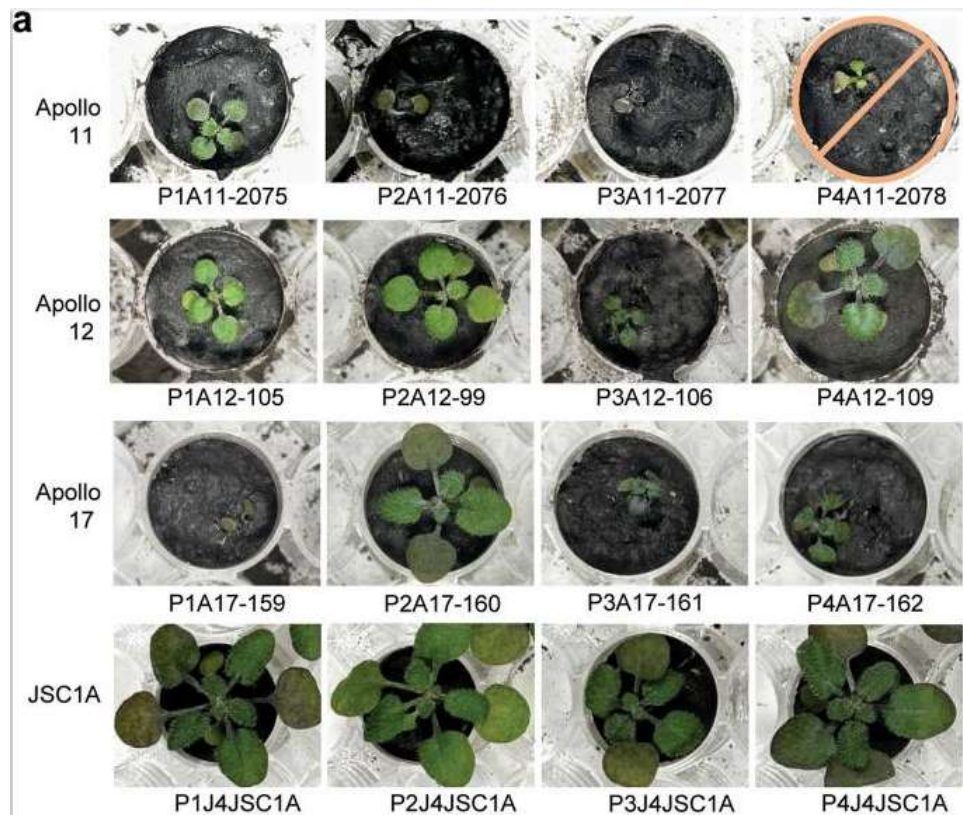
Plant transcriptomes differ by morphology

- Plants with a “severe” phenotype (tiny, abnormal morphology and reddish-black pigmentation) had 1000+ DEGs, demonstrating severe reactions to the regolith.
- All regolith samples, irrespective of Apollo site, significantly evoked differentially expressed genes (DEGs) indicative of a strong stress response.
- 71% of the DEGs typically were associated with salt, metal, and reactive oxygen species stress.

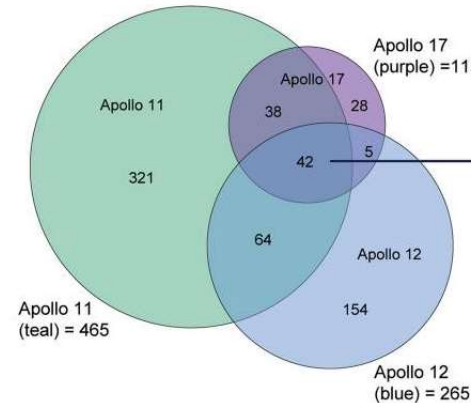


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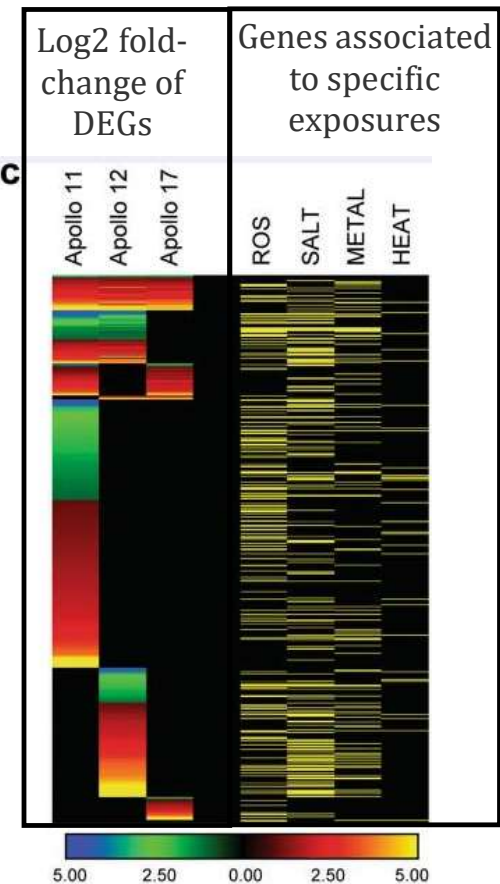
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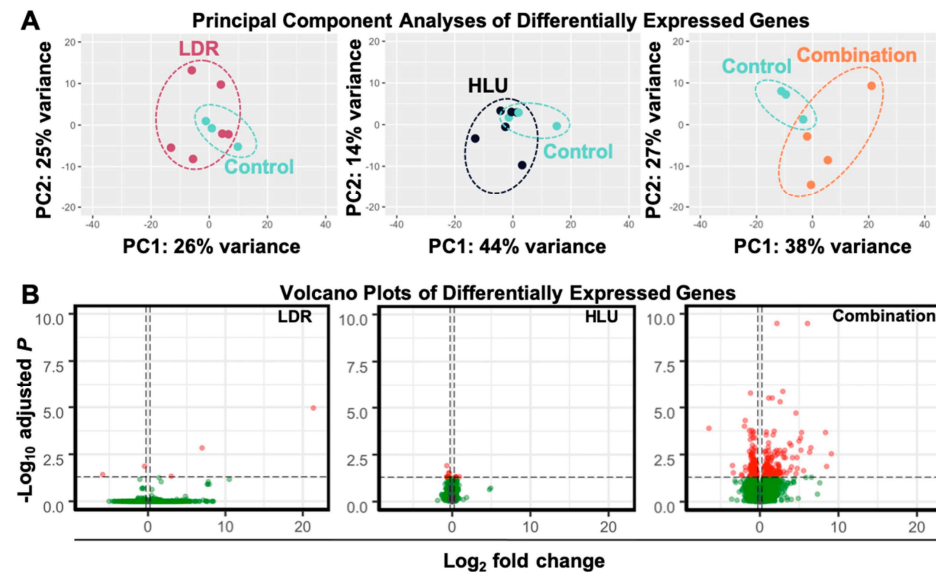
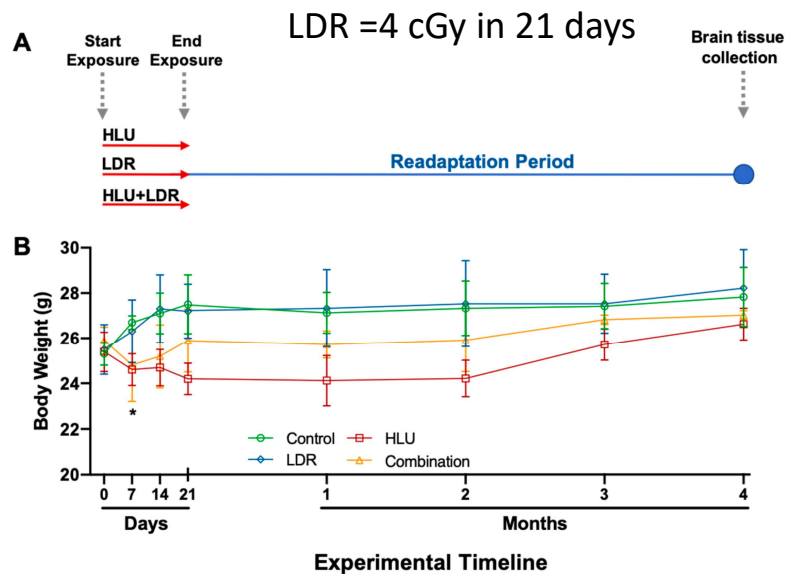


Combined effects of radiation and unloading

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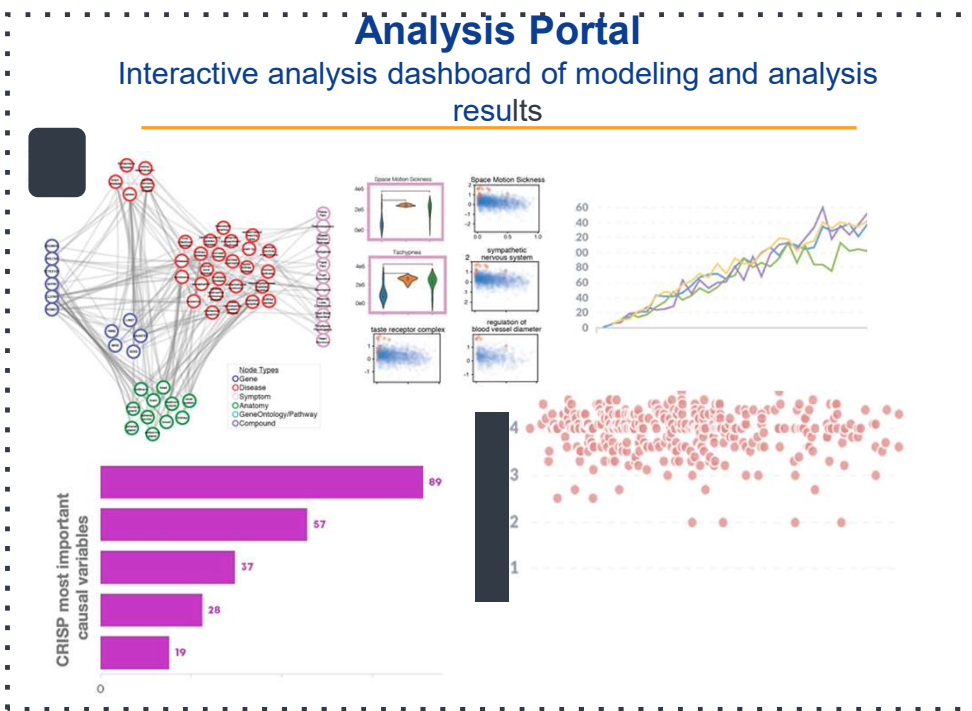
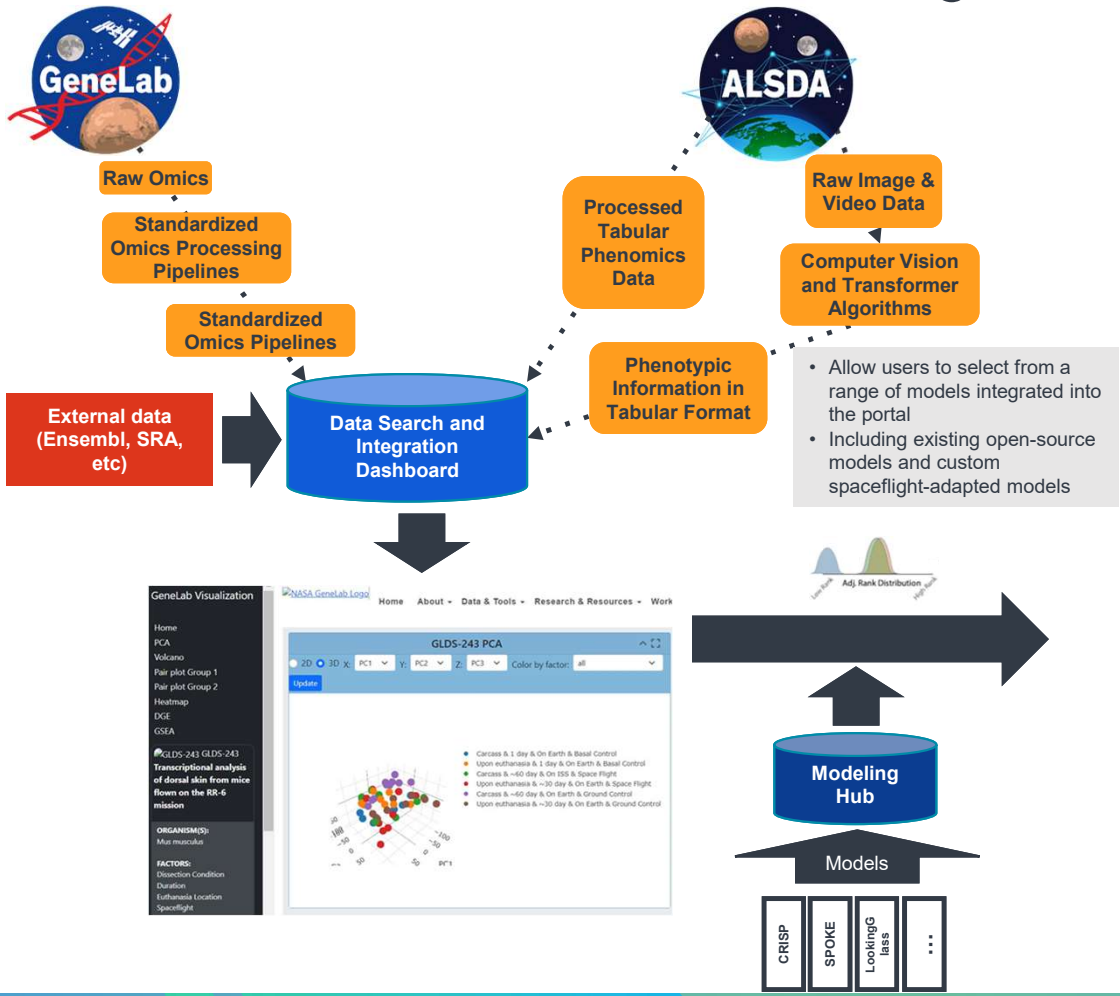
Mice Exposed to Combined Chronic Low-Dose Irradiation and Modeled Microgravity Develop Long-Term Neurological Sequelae

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 Jonathan M. Galazka^{2,*} and Xiao Wen Mao^{7,*}



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Future: Streamlined Data Integration, Multimodal, Multihierarchical



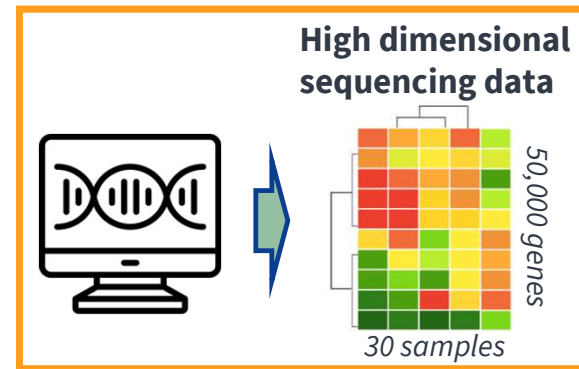
New Modeling Hub

- Automated pipelines for a suite of machine learning, knowledge graph, modeling tools

Space biological data analysis challenges

Space Biological Data Challenges

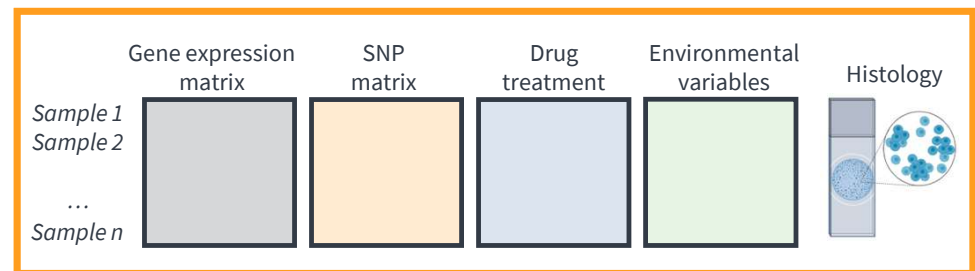
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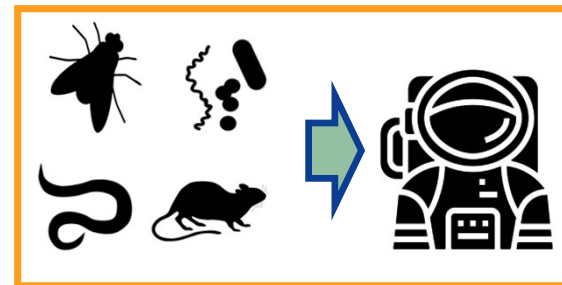
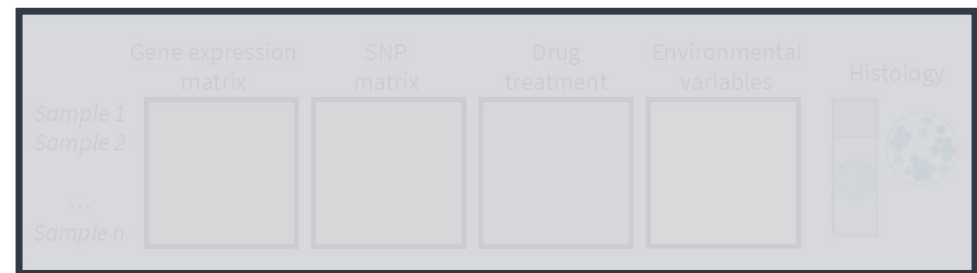
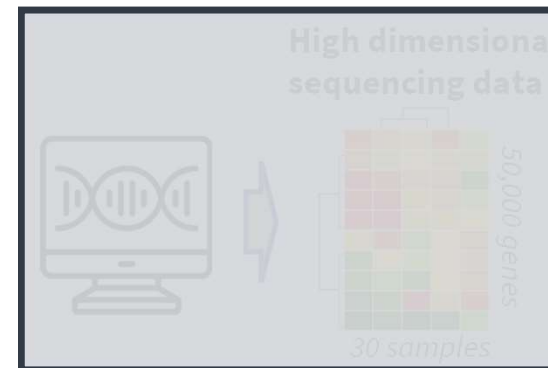
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Complex (Biological) Systems need Complex Models

Multiple approaches for characterizing patterns in biology

STATISTICAL METHODS

- Draw conclusions from observed data (**inference**)
- Assume specific data distributions
- Examples: hypothesis testing, correlative analysis

MACHINE LEARNING

- Learn from data to make predictions on unseen data (**prediction**)
- Able to model nonlinear relationships without assuming a data distribution
- Examples: classification, regression, clustering

ML Learns and Predicts Complex Biological Phenomena

> J Thorac Imaging. 2020 Nov 1;35(6):361-368. doi: 10.1097/RTI.0000000000000544.

A Novel Machine Learning-derived Radiomic Signature of the Whole Lung Differentiates Stable From Progressive COVID-19 Infection: A Retrospective Cohort Study

Liping Fu ¹, Yongchou Li ², Aip > Sci Data. 2021 Apr 29;8(1):121. doi: 10.1038/s41597-021-00900-3.



The opportunity: adapt ML principles to power knowledge discovery and address key challenges in space biological research

AlphaFold Protein Structure Database



COVID-CT-MD, COVID-19 computed tomography scan dataset applicable in machine learning and deep learning

Parnian Afshar ¹, Shahin Heidarian ², Nastaran Enshaei ¹, Farnoosh Naderkhani ¹,
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Machine learning prediction of cancer cell sensitivity to drugs based on genomic and chemical properties

Michael P Menden ¹, Francesco Iorio, Mathew Garnett, Ultan McDermott, Cyril H Benes,
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Lung Cancer Detection using CT Scan Images

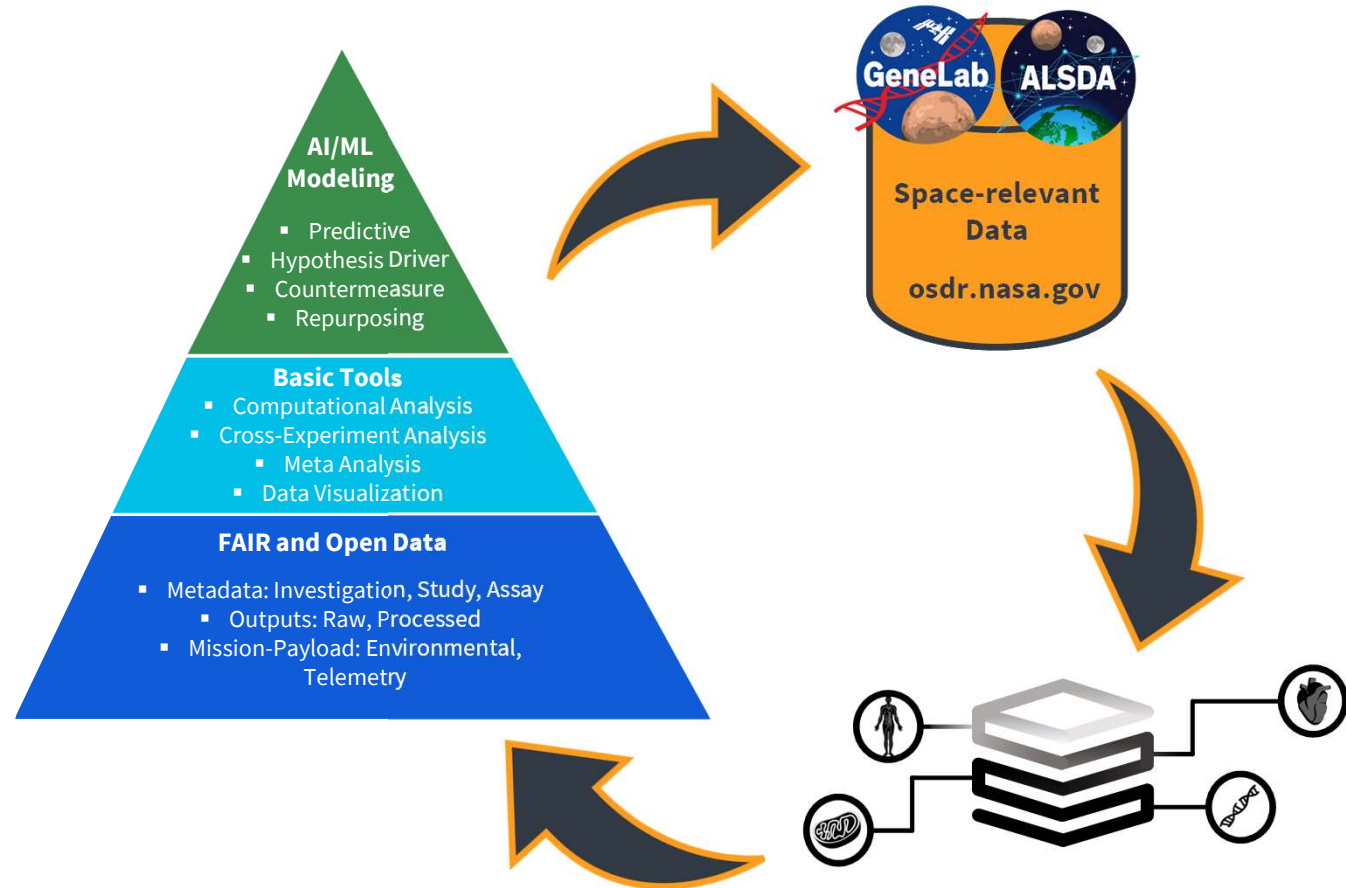
Suren Makaju^a, P.W.C. Prasad¹ [Review](#) > Iran J Public Health. 2017 Feb;46(2):165-172.

Improving the Prediction of Survival in Cancer Patients by Using Machine Learning Techniques: Experience of Gene Expression Data: A Narrative Review

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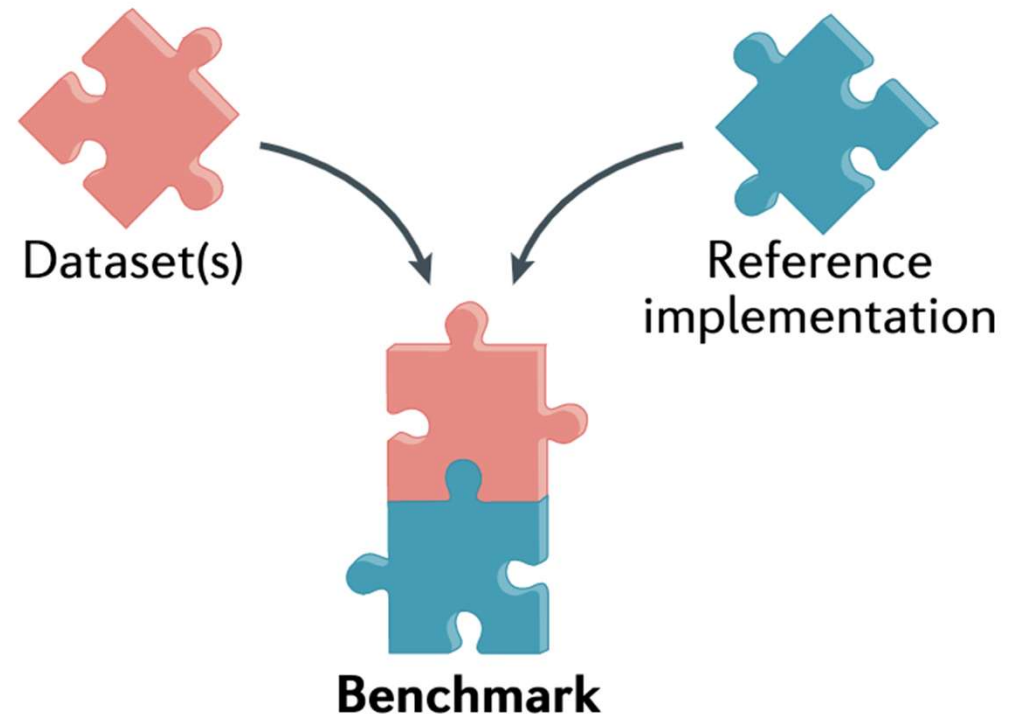
AI for Life in Space working group: AI4LS

Leveraging ML and AI methods to model space biology data from the NASA Open Science Data Repository: **NASA GeneLab** (omics) and **NASA Ames Life Sciences Data Archive** (ALSDA; phen-omics) to better understand the complex effects of spaceflight on living systems across hierarchical biological levels.



Benchmark Datasets for Space Biology

- **Scientific ML benchmarking**—Best ML algorithm for this problem
- **Application benchmarking**—Algorithm performance
- **System benchmarking**—Hardware and software architecture

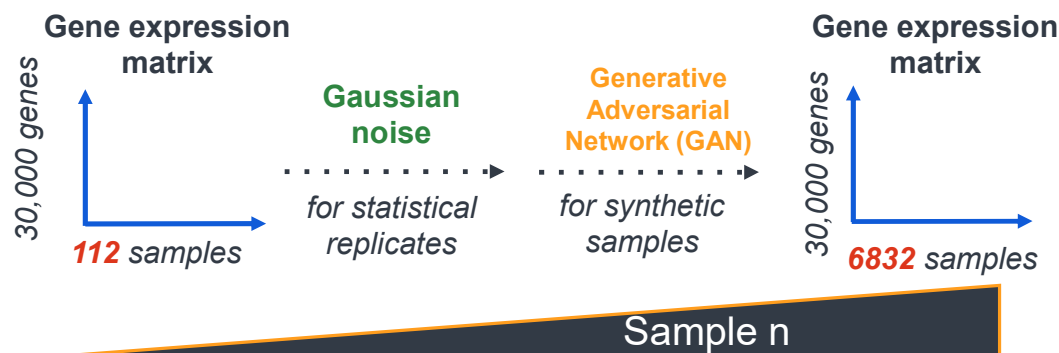




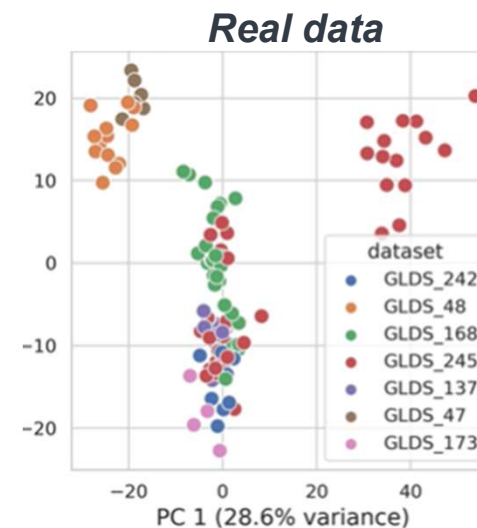
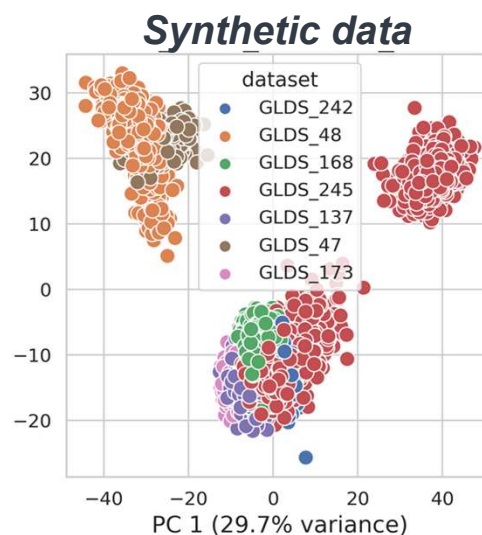
RNA sequencing benchmark dataset

Scientific motivation: Effects of spaceflight on mouse liver health

AI readiness pipeline:



GeneLab Data Set	Tissue	Spaceflight Mission
47	liver	RR1 CASIS
48	liver	RR1 NASA
168	liver	RR1 NASA RR3 CASIS
137	liver	RR3 CASIS
173	liver	STS-135
242	liver	RR9
245	liver	RR6



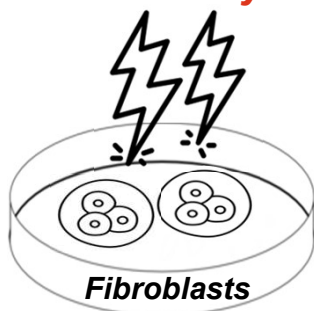


Fluorescence microscopy benchmark dataset

Scientific motivation: simulated space radiation causes cellular DNA damage



Simulated galactic
cosmic rays

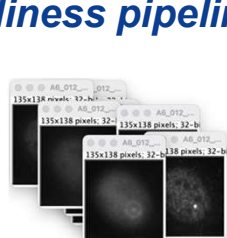


- 53PB1+ immunocytochemistry
- High-throughput imaging
- Automated quantification of 53 PB1+ radiation-induced foci

Penninckx et al. *Radiation Research* 2019



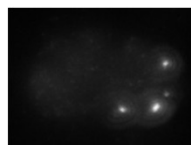
AI readiness pipeline:



Raw Dataset (n = 94,193):
32-bit Z stacks (9 indices)

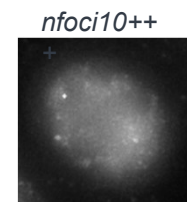
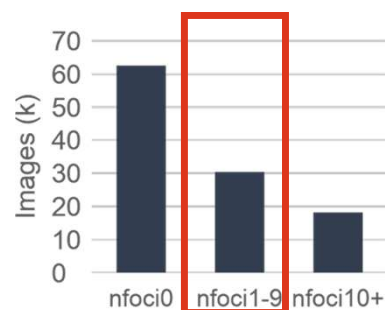


maximum
intensity
projection
16-bit
conversion



Max Intensity Dataset (n=94,193):
16-bit single-index TIFFs

automatically
estimated nfoci



Labels:

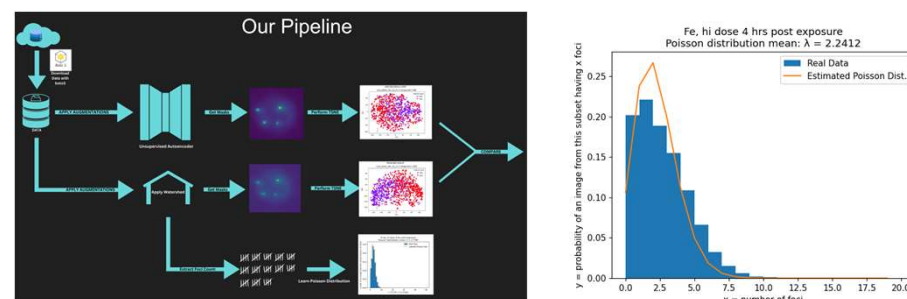
- *nfoci* (number of 53BP1+ DNA damage foci)
- *Radiation* (X-ray, ⁵⁶Fe...)

Cloud-based ML-ready Data Increase Scientific Community Engagement

UC Irvine CS175: "Project in Artificial Intelligence" Senior Course

- BPS Microscopy benchmark dataset formed the basis for UCI CS175 senior ML projects
- Real-world data and scientific problems inspired the students to generate creative solutions
- ML-ready dataset allowed students to spend time on ML rather than preprocessing
- 9 teams focused on a variety of scientific questions:
 - Supervised classification
 - Unsupervised learning
 - Self-supervised learning
 - Segmentation and detection
 - Graph neural networks
 - Generating synthetic data

Image Segmentation and Foci Detection



Large Language Model for NASA Science

- NASA Science Mission Directorate and IBM working to train a large language model (LLM) for NASA science
- Training on NASA scientific text data from the 5 scientific divisions
 - Biological and Physical Sciences providing relevant full-text papers and abstracts
- The encoder model will be made public, and the generative model will be internal NASA use only
- LLM performance will be validated via multiple mechanisms including a question and answer (Q&A) task similar to the [Stanford SQuAD dataset](#)
- Soliciting Q&A tasks from subject matter experts in space relevant biology
 - Question
 - Correct answer
 - Source paragraph/sentence from literature/website for correct answer
 - URL to source
- Form to submit Q&A tasks: <https://forms.gle/qtX2wSCnLEBqzMRFA>



Large Language Model for NASA Science

Example Q&A Task

Question: Define a DNA double strand break

Correct answer: DNA DSBs consist of two SSBs (single DNA strand breaks) within one helical turn on opposing strands of DNA.

URL to source document: <https://pubmed.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/23311752/>

Paragraph from source document where correct answer would be found: DNA DSBs consist of two SSBs within one helical turn on opposing strands of DNA. IR induced DNA DSBs are not usually simple lesions but rather contain multiple complex lesions and overhanging ends (or ragged ends) of DNA that cannot be ligated directly and therefore must be removed before repair can begin.

As you are designing your Q&A tasks, keep in mind that the models will be trained on the following data sources relevant to BPS science:

1. Full text articles from Radiation Research Society 2021-2023
2. All abstracts from PubMed
3. Full text articles from PMC, subset with keywords: "space biology", "microgravity", "astronaut", "space radiation", "space microbiology", "space plant biology", "space animal biology", "space medicine", "radiation biology", "mechanical unloading", "partial weight-bearing", "gravitropism", "mechanosensing", "hypergravity", "life support"
4. GeneLab and Open Science Data Repository websites
5. BPS Taskbook
6. NASA Technical Reports Server
7. NASA Science Discovery Engine



Form for Q&A Tasks

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